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[REDACTED] This story  
mentioned the fact that BUNDY, the son-in-law of ACHESON,  
had contributed \$400.00 to the defense of ALGER HISS and  
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He said that he had never known ~~ALGER~~ HISS as a Communist or otherwise, but that he knew WHITTAKER ~~CHAMBERS~~ as a Communist Party member in the "early twenties."

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# Bridges Served As Red Leader, Witness Swears

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13 (CTPS)—A government witness rose in a packed courtroom today and dramatically pointed out Harry Bridges as having been a member of the Communist national committee, a section of the party's top echelon in this country.

The witness placed Bridges in a secret party conclave in 1936 in New York and named others of the high Communist hierarchy present, including Earl Browder and J. V. Peters, the mysterious Russian agent who has been mentioned in the Alger Hiss and Gerhart Eisler cases.

The man who threw this legal bombshell into the Bridges perjury trial—in probably the biggest moment of the prosecution's case thus far—was Manning R. Johnson, Negro, a former Communist. Johnson has testified previously for the government at nearly 20 immigration and Communist alien proceedings, including that for Eisler, once the country's No. 1 Communist, who has fled to Germany.

## Was Party Executive

Bridges, boss of the Longshoremen's union (CIO), and two union associates, Henry Schmidt and James Robertson, are on trial before federal Judge George B. Harris and a jury for allegedly lying in denying Bridges was a Communist at his naturalization in 1945.

Johnson, called to the stand by prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue, said he was a Communist from 1931 to 1940 and a member of the party national committee in 1936.

"At the 1936 party national convention," he testified, "we were given a list of persons to be elected to the national committee. The list was distributed

to myself and other delegates by J. Peters and Abe Benson."

## Lists Bridges as Leader

"Who were some of those committee members?" Donohue asked.

The list he gave included Browder (then the country's top Red), Jack Stachel (one of the Communists recently convicted in New York), Peters, William Weinstein, William Weiner, alias Blake, Sam Don, James W. Ford, Mort White, Alex Bittleman, Abe Brown, alias Alti, Harry Heywood, Alex Durba, Morris Childs, Clarence Hathaway, Anna Damon, William Scheiderman, Paul Crouch, George Hewitt, alias Tim Holmes, the witness himself, and two other men named only as Trachtenburg and Puro.

"And," said Johnson slowly, "there was Harry Bridges, who was going under the name of Rossi."

"Do you see that Bridges in the courtroom?" Donohue asked.

Johnson stood up and pointed a long arm toward Bridges.

"There he sits," the witness spoke. "There he is."

Bridges, hawk-nosed, high-domed, was visibly affected. He stirred nervously and glared at Johnson.

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Senator

HICKENLOOPER: Have you ever met ALGER HISS?

Mr. BROWDER: I have not.

Senator

HICKENLOOPER: During the time that you were head of the Communist Party, or a prominent official in the Communist Party in the United States, did you know whether or not ALGER HISS was a member of the Communist Party, or considered to be a member of the Communist Party?

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Mr. BROWDER: I would say that I never even heard the name "HISS" in such a way as to fasten it in my memory, until I was visited by agents of the FBI and asked to identify his photograph as someone that I knew; and later on when HISS was in the public eye, I learned that

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photograph was his.

Senator  
HICKENLOOPER: Yes, and when you saw that photograph, did you recognize the photograph as one whom you had known?

Mr. BROWDER: I had never seen him before, and I tell you now that I had never heard his name before, in the way in which it would impress itself on my memory.

Senator  
HICKENLOOPER: Did you know WHITTAKER CHAMBERS?

Mr. BROWDER: I did not.

Senator  
HICKENLOOPER: Did you at any time, while you were an official of the Communist Party, know whether or not WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was a member of the Communist Party, or considered a member of the Communist Party?

Mr. BROWDER: I knew that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS had been a member of the Communist Party in the early 1920's. He disappeared, and I assumed that he was out of the Party, and I still so assume.

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"He also brought up the Chambers-Hiss case to show how those in high places had tried to cover up for the Frankfurter protege ~~ALGER~~ HISS, and that had it not been for the determination and persistence of Rep. NIXON, who knew the score, he (HISS) would have got away with his treachery."

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# 20 Harvard Professors Tied to Reds

(This is the second of a series on Harvard and its connection with left wingers.)

By EUGENE GRIFFIN

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 8 (CTPS)—The Harvard faculty includes about 20 professors who repeatedly have supported Communist-front organizations, officially described as such by the U. S. Department of Justice.

Some Harvard professors have become such notorious fellow travelers that today their support of a questionable organization helps stamp it as Communist-influenced.

## Tied to Communies

The National Council for American Education in New York a year ago found that 74 Harvard faculty members had been associated with 124 Communist fronts. This was an extremely broad listing, however, and included men with only a single Red-front connection, and others who have not been active since the Stalin-Hitler pact.

There is a small core of Harvard professors who have given their names, time and energy to 30, 40 and more organizations and movements controlled by Communists.

The most persistent repeaters, which could include professors Harlow Shapley, astronomy; F. O. Matthiessen, history and literature, and Kirtley Mather, geology, vigorously deny that they are fellow travelers.

Loyal alumni find it difficult to put a finger on a connection between the faculty Communist fronters and the number of Harvard-educated Communist agents exposed in Washington.

Alger Hiss, like many accused Communist traitors with Harvard backgrounds, did not go to Harvard college and probably never met any of the Harvard professors whose names adorn Red front movements. Hiss and others like him are products of the Harvard law school.

The law school professors are not found mixed up in Communist fronts which attract big names from the Harvard college faculty. A few law school members will sometimes be on the Communist side in denouncing the House committee investigating un-American activities, or attacking court trials of Communists. In such cases, the professors take the position that they

## Chafee Defended Hiss

Prof. Zechariah Chafee, one of the law faculty's vociferous critics of the committee on un-American activities. Before Alger Hiss was convicted as a perjurer-traitor, Chafee wrote a long letter to the Washington Post defending Hiss.

Last summer Chafee subbed for David E. Lillenthal as Phi Beta Kappa orator at Harvard, and seized the opportunity to defend Communists on several fronts. He ridiculed U. S. Senate bills for controlling Communist activities, and attacked the New York trial of 11 Communist party leaders.

Chafee had a simple suggestion for handling Communists. "My suggestion," he said, "is that for a while we look at American Communists as an American problem, and forget all about the world Communist movement. Leave that to Dean Acheson and the military people."

Chafee has been teaching at Harvard since 1916 and is an old friend and former colleague of Supreme Court Justice Frankfurter, who left Harvard in 1938. Together they taught many of the younger professors now at Harvard law school.

Half of the 20 full professors presently teaching at Harvard law school were graduated from the school in the years when Frankfurter was a professor. Several of them were associates of Alger Hiss, who was graduated from the three-year course in 1929.

Among the present professors who were in Harvard with him are Dean Erwin N. Griswold, class of 1928; Livingston Hall, vice dean, 1927; Richard H. S. [unclear], 1929; Henry M. Hart, 1930; Benjamin Kaplan, 1928, and Erwin Brown, Paul Franklin and Milton Katz, all of the class of 1931.

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*Activities in Educational Institutions*

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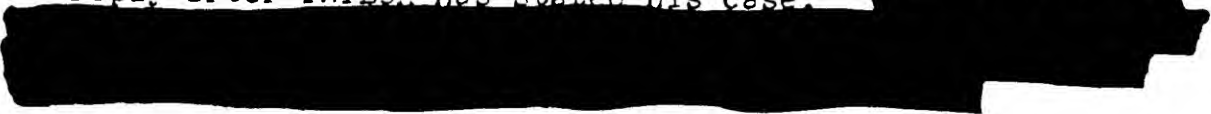
For record purposes, an individual identifying himself as General Maynard Kimberland called at my office advising that he had important information which he had discussed with Congressman Nixon of California to the effect that there was a powerful group of bad actors who might bear further looking into. He named Mr. Knight Guild Aulsbrook, an Attorney at 237 Southern Building, Washington, D. C., who he stated was a roommate and classmate of Alger Hiss at Harvard law school. He had nothing specific at all other than this.

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"I recall on one occasion at Stanford University in about 1948, at a Brookings Institution Seminar, when I made a statement that we had to proceed on the belief that the ultimate aim of the Soviet Government was world conquest and that it was unlikely we could stop them without war, ALGER HISS attempted to reply to me at this time and PASVOLSKY stopped him and said that they could open the next meeting with this subject, at which time HISS will be given an opportunity to reply after TAYLOR has stated his case."



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QUESTION 5: Furnish any information in your possession concerning the activities of the following individuals: ALGER HISS, NOEL FIELD, HEDE KUMPERTZ, LAWRENCE DUGGAN and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS who also used the aliases LLOYD CANTWELL, DAVID BREEN and GEORGE CROSLY.

ANSWER 5: I knew about the existence of ALGER HISS, but I never met him. I met NOEL FIELD in 1945 after my arrival in Paris. He retained me as Public and Press Relations Director for the Unitarian Service Committee. During my work from May 1945 to January 1946, FIELD made frequent trips to Switzerland, USA, Berlin, Warsaw, Prague and Budapest. He was European Director of the organization and seemed to work in close contact with the Paris representations of all the satellite countries. Especially conspicuous were his contacts with "Red Cross Missions" forthcoming from the same countries which were emanations of the MVD. In accordance with those Red Cross Missions, FIELD tried to prevail upon all inmates of D.P. and refugee camps to return to the country of their origin. He also maintained a good contact with the representatives of the Communist Parties of the satellite states. All other names mentioned under this heading are known to me but I do not recollect to have met personally any of the persons in question.

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# ON THE RIGHT -----by William F. Buckley, Jr.

For Release Saturday or Sunday, April 2 or 3, 1966, or thereafter.

## A LITTLE PARTY FOR THE CAUSE

The word went around that there would be a little party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blueblood, in New York City, to hear the brand new Congressman Mr. Ted Kupferman, successor in every sense of the word to John Lindsay, give the reasons why the House Committee on Un-American Activities should be abolished. The guests, about 70 of them, filed into the handsome house, furnished with antiques presented by Lafayette to Mr. Blueblood's great great great, who was ambassador to France a century and a half ago. The guests went up to a large dining room where a butler poured drinks. On the way they filed past a pad of yellow paper cutely labelled "Black List." And they dutifully wrote down their names. One or two of them were obvious leg-pulls, e.g., Mr. Derring-Do, guest #50, who identified himself as "J. Edgar Hoover, address: 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C." The name "Alger Hiss" also appeared, as guest #4.

It was not written down by a yukster, but by Alger Hiss.

The proceedings were extensive. Mrs. Charn, born in Brooklyn and recently married to the scion of a considerable fortune, opened the meeting by introducing other distinguished members of the National Committee to Abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. She then introduced Mr. Frank Donner as a "distinguished constitutional lawyer." She did not, in her biographical preview, mention that two distinguished witnesses before the House Committee on Un-American Activities identified Mr. Donner under oath as a member of the Communist Party, or mention that the talkative Mr. Donner suddenly drew breath on the occasion when the House Committee on Un-American Activities asked him if he was a member of the Communist Party--all he could then manage was to mumble something about the 5th Amendment. Mr. Donner, who has written a book about the House Committee, spoke many amused and amusing things about the horrors of the Committee, though none at all about the horrors of un-American activities, suggesting that it is the former, rather than the latter, that he is primarily concerned to abolish.

The following speaker was Miss Breastworks, a sweetie-pie from Sweden who appears, every bit of her, on all the current cheesecake. She spoke very prettily about her devotion to civil liberties. The next speaker was Mr. John Henry Faulk, who won a prodigious judgment on the grounds that he had been falsely accused of pro-Communist activity, thus aborting a great career on radio and television, which career he has not however gloriously resumed. Mr. Faulk, a most engaging man, told anecdotes of one kind or another of which the House Committee on Un-American Activities was the victim. And, finally, the major event, the neophyte Congressman Mr. Theodore Kupferman, who talked extensively about the Committee's unconcern for judicial safeguards, and not at all about the Committee's adoption, several years ago, of a list of judicial safeguards proposed by a special committee of a Bar Association.

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Alger Hiss did not give a speech. Nor did guest #23, Mr. Russ Nixon, who, like Alger Hiss, was identified before the House Committee under oath as a Communist (he took the 5th Amendment); but who, unlike Alger Hiss, has not spent time in jail for perjury--he is now under indictment for refusing to answer questions before the House. Strange that Mr. Hiss was not allowed to speak. One would think he could have given an impassioned speech against the House Committee on Un-American Activities, just as Al Capone could have given a truly impassioned speech on the necessity to abolish the FBI. After all, it is passion that counts, in the drive to abolish the Committee. Hardly reason.

No questions were permitted, let alone encouraged, and a collection was taken to further the work of abolishing the Committee. Two guests, Mrs. Charn happily announced, had donated \$2,000. We don't know how much money was finally raised. Perhaps Mr. Hiss might be persuaded to resume his former affiliation and turn over to the National Committee to Abolish the House Committee the proceeds from the very next secret he might then steal from the Government? Interesting question: would that be tax exempt? Here might be a suitable cause for the next gathering at Mrs. Blueblood's.

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March 23, 1955

Mr. William Rusher  
Publisher of the National  
Review  
150 West 35th Street  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Rusher:

On Sunday afternoon, at 5:30, I was taken by my friend Elsie Wiener to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. M. Earlow at 11 Gramercy Park for the avowed purpose of hearing Mr. Theodore Kaufman, Congressman from the Silk Stocking District, give a talk on why the House on Un-American Activities' Committee should be abolished. Mr. Earlow was not there. Mrs. Earlow, who the Social Register lists as (Bullitt, A. Ernesta Drinker) was in attendance, looking quite patrician and speaking in a combined Boston-Philadelphia-Harvard accent. It is my understanding that Mrs. Earlow's first husband was William Bullitt, former Ambassador to France. The home was quite spacious and had numerous antiques which an original Earlow had received from Lafayette, when the Earlow progenitor was Ambassador to France early in the 19th Century. On the way in the door there were several yellow pads on a table for the guests to sign with their addresses. It is interesting to note that the list was labeled by the proponents of this party as "BLACK LIST". I had no sooner entered the door when I spotted Alger Hiss moving from the crowded foyer up to the second floor. Winding my way up the long staircase, I arrived on the second floor. A negro butler was pouring drinks in a very large dining room. The furniture had been removed from the living room and seats were installed to accommodate about seventy people. Most of the people in attendance looked as though they had crawled from underneath rocks and were not the kind of people one might expect to find in Mrs. Earlow's drawing room. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. John (Sylvia) Crane, who was quite good looking and indeed quite charming. She introduced a member of her National Committee, Miss Greta Thyssen of the movies, who rose quickly to her feet and gave a one sentence subject covering her interest in Civil Liberties and then sat down.

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Mrs. Crane then introduced Mr. Frank J. Donner as an eminent constitutional lawyer. Mr. Donner exuded charm and kept the audience amused with a witty and logical refutation of the Committee.

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The next speaker introduced was Mr. John Henry Faulk, who told some very amusing stories about George Herman Rockwell and the Klan, all done in an amusing, charming Southern accent. Then Mrs. Crane introduced the Congressman from the Silk Reeling District, Mr. Theodore Hapferman, who gave a straight talk, the gist of which was that the KKK should be abolished because it did not provide those people called before it with certain judicial safeguards. Following Mr. Hapferman's talk, Mrs. Crane announced that she had two checks for \$2,000 and that checks would be passed out for those who'd wished to make contributions. The meeting was then adjourned. In the process of leaving, I saw two men sitting down, writing out checks. On the way out the door I noticed that the yellow pages with the list of names was unattended, so I took the two lists of names-Black List and Black List File #2.

I am enclosing these lists for you as well as a xerox copy. I would like to have the original returned when it no longer serves your purpose because I have a feeling that some day Alger Hiss' autograph may be valuable to my grandchildren the same way as Major Andre's autograph may be valuable today.

I have limited myself somewhat to bare-bone details. I could elaborate at length and add a lot more color, if you so desire.

Sincerely yours,

P.S. I understand that Mrs. Barlow has lent her home to Mrs. Crane on several past occasions for events of a similar nature.



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 21, 1949

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: WEBSTER CLAY POWELL, was

(Bufile 61-10404)

Rebulet September 14, 1949, in which the Washington Field Office was requested to interview WEBSTER CLAY POWELL for any information he possesses concerning WHITTAKER CHAMBERS or ALGER HISS. *sc*

Attention is directed to the report of Special Agent L. W. R. OBERNDORF, dated April 8, 1949, at Washington, D. C., in the matter entitled, "J. DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, INTERNAL SECURITY - R". Beginning on page 22 thereof the interview of WEBSTER CLAY POWELL conducted by this office on February 25, 1949, is reported. *sc*

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DETAILS: At Washington, D. C.

Confidential Informant T-1 in 1945 furnished information regarding a Communist Party underground group composed primarily of persons employed in the Federal government which operated in Washington, D. C., during the middle 1930's. Included in this group were the following: JOHN ABT, LEE PRESSMAN, HENRY COLLINS, NATHAN PERLO, CHARLES KRAVITSKY, wa Charles Kramer, ALGER HISS, DONALD HISS, RICHARD HOWELL POST, NATHAN WITT, and an unidentified individual who was the husband of ALICE LENDHAM who, according to Informant T-1, operated a school on the Virginia side of Washington. According to T-1, this group met in several places around Washington, among which were the following:

A violin studio belonging to HELEN WARE, HAROLD WARE's sister, above a florist's shop on Connecticut Avenue;

JOHN ABT's house on 15th Street;

HENRY COLLINS' apartment in St. Matthews Court;

The home of CHARLES KRAMER, on one occasion.

Leaders of this group at various times were HAROLD WARE, NATHAN WITT, and JOHN ABT.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 1/11/50

FROM : SAC GUY HOTTEL, Washington Field ATTENTION: Assistant Director A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE JURORS TO SERVE IN THE  
U. S. DISTRICT CRIMINAL AND CIVIL  
COURTS, JANUARY TERM, 1950  
JURY PANEL INVESTIGATION

The Bureau is advised that JOSEPH S. SAGONA, whose name appears as a prospective juror on the jury panel for the U. S. District Criminal Court No. 4 for the District of Columbia--January Term, 1950, is a present Government witness in the "ALGER HISS Case," which is now being prosecuted by the Department in New York City.

From information available to this office, it has been indicated that SAGONA probably will be called as a witness to testify in the "ALGER HISS Case" within the next few days and therefore, may not be available for jury duty in the U. S. District Criminal Court No. 4 at the retrial of ~~which~~ which is scheduled for January 16, 1950.

This information is not set forth in the report of this office in the above-captioned matter, but is being brought to the attention of the Bureau for its information.

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In the course of the investigation of ALGER HISS, LOVESTONE was interviewed on March 16, 1949, and stated that he originally met ALGER HISS in October, 1947, at the Harvard Club, New York City. The occasion was a meeting of the Stimson Committee for the Marshall Plan headed by HENRY S. STIMSON, former Secretary of War. This was a civilian organization whose purpose was to keep Congress

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aware of the necessity of passing the Marshall Plan. This organization consisted of about 1500 of the leading citizens of the country. This Committee was disbanded after the Marshall Plan was adopted by Congress.

According to LOVESTONE, this committee had its birth out of an article written by STIMSON in "Foreign Affairs" magazine in which he discussed the European problem. At the meeting LOVESTONE attended he was the American Federation of Labor Representative and the other representatives included former Federal Judge ROBERT PATTERSON, DEAN ACHESON, and ALGER HISS. LOVESTONE related that considerable information in recent years had come to him concerning HISS' activities and he was interested in meeting him. LOVESTONE remarked that HISS, he understood, was considered pro-Russian and could not be trusted in handling the United States' problems. He added that it was common talk that HISS was a Communist and a top man for Russia.

LOVESTONE when requested to elaborate on his remarks in this connection, identified BENJAMIN MANDEL, Investigator for the HCUA and IRVING BROWN, AFL Representative on European Affairs as both characterizing HISS as a Communist and pro-Russian.

LOVESTONE also pointed out that BOB WATT, AFL Representative in the IWO, who attended the San Francisco Conference, had characterized ALGER HISS as being "no good" and had wired back to headquarters to determine what information they had on HISS.

LOVESTONE also volunteered the information that he had heard that the British also were aware of ALGER HISS' pro-Soviet leanings and had kept a close check on him at the San Francisco Conference.

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During this interview, LOVESTONE related how ALGER HISS had maneuvered a person by the name of HAROLD STEIN into the position of Manager of the New York Office for the Marshall Plan Committee. He also stated that he and HISS were appointed as a committee at the suggestion of DEAN ACHESON to draw up a bill of principles, however, he was unable to serve on this committee but did make available to either HISS or STEIN, the AFL documents concerning the Marshall Plan to assist in drawing up the Bill of Principles.

LOVESTONE described the conversation he had with HISS during a bus ride downtown after one of the meetings of the Committee for the Marshall Plan. He stated that he had remarked to HISS in a very critical manner concerning the countries behind the Iron Curtain and during this time HISS remained very silent and made no comment.

LOVESTONE related that he was again in contact with HISS in the spring of 1948, when he contacted HISS at the Carnegie Endowment Office for a luncheon appointment. At this time he took HISS to the ILGWU offices and showed him around after having lunched at the Bryant Hotel, 54th Street and Broadway. During this luncheon he requested HISS to make available Carnegie Endowment funds to bring union leaders from Germany to the United States and allow them to observe policies and operations of unions in the United States. This was rejected by HISS saying that the Endowment was interested only in academic work and affiliations with universities rather than labor unions.

LOVESTONE also made a request of HISS, to have the Carnegie Endowment, if possible, bring over refugees from the Baltic countries behind the Iron Curtain and allow them to see first-hand operations of labor unions in the United States. This was also turned down by HISS.

LOVESTONE, in his contact with HISS, observed reluctance on HISS' part to criticize the Soviet Union and observed also that HISS at the very minimum was sympathetic with the Communist movement. LOVESTONE stated that in his

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opinion HISS would not be regarded within the term spy but rather that he was a person who was affiliated with policy level agencies which would be more beneficial to the Communist cause than to have an individual who steals documents and other things generally believed to be the work and duties of spies.

LOVESTONE believed that HISS actively ceased Communist Party work at the time of the HITLER-STALIN Pact however he could not substantiate this belief. LOVESTONE remarked that as far as he was concerned, HISS was with ROOSEVELT at Yalta in body only and his heart was at least half with STALIN.

LOVESTONE suggested to interviewing agents that they contact the British Security Officers who were in charge at the San Francisco Conference for information concerning ALGER HISS.

LOVESTONE did mention that he had been approached by ALGER HISS to obtain derogatory information from LOVESTONE concerning WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. LOVESTONE had no information of his personal knowledge indicating that HISS was a Communist Party member.

New York 7, New York

June 19, 1950

MEMO:

RE:

LEAGUE AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM

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The attached clipping is from pages 217+218 of the book "Men Without Faces" by LOUIS FRANCIS BUDENZ.

HPL:LJR

EDWARD SCHEIDT  
SAC NEW YORK, N.Y.

Out of these organizations of the intellectuals as such, there grew also groups of wider appeal which made an even more distinct impression upon American thought. Outstanding among them was the League Against War and Fascism. The original executive of that body, whom I knew well, was Dr. J. B. Matthews, who subsequently broke with the Communists. He was succeeded by Dr. Harry F. Ward, at the time the Communists first sought to infiltrate the Roosevelt camp, and the League's name was changed to the American League for Peace and Democracy. In this guise, the Politburo felt, the organization would have more influence in Washington political circles. Finally, during the Hitler-Stalin alliance, when it became necessary for the League to alter its entire approach, it became the American Peace Mobilization. Frederick

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Vanderbilt Field was drawn temporarily out of the Institute of Pacific Relations to become its head.

I attended several of the Politburo meetings which set up the American Peace Mobilization and put Mr. Field in charge. He was selected primarily because of his success in cultivating officials of the State Department. He could reel off a number of distinguished names who were bosom friends of his, among them his close collaborator Alger Hiss, who was subsequently to advise the government at Yalta, Potsdam and San Francisco.

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Rushmore also told Mrs. Lewis that Alger Hiss of the State Department was one of the top Communists there and further advised that he thought Hiss was Secretary to the San Francisco Conference. Rushmore told Mrs. Lewis to find out if "our friends" knew anything about Hiss. Granville stated that during the call at 1:37 PM today that Mrs. Lewis asked Kerley if he knew Hiss and he advised that he didn't.

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HUSHMORE said that he had a talk with Representative  
FRED BRADLEY of Michigan from whom he got a statement blasting the appeasement

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attitude of the State Department, naming ALGER HISS as the "top Commy" in the State Department who served as Secretary of the San Francisco Conference and went to Europe to assist in setting up the UNO. RUSHMORE said that he had just talked to a friend of his who is still connected with the State Department and said that HISS is undoubtedly very powerful. RUSHMORE said that some time ago an individual "of the same sort as our girl friend" had told him that HISS was a Communist. RUSHMORE said that he had forgotten to ask "their girl friend" about this and wanted BETTY to find out. BETTY said she would ask her the next time she talks to her. RUSHMORE indicated he was getting out a story on the State Department.

A check of the indices of the New York Office indicates that New York File 101-141 is entitled "ALGER HISS, Department of State, Washington, D. C.; Hatch Act - Internal Security." Washington is office of origin in this case and the Bureau file number is 101-2668.

BETTY asked KEFLEY about ALGER HISS, but he said that he did not know him.

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<p>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS named one "FELIX" introduced to him in early 1937 by Col. BORIS SYKOV as paid CP functionary, as a photographer who copied for him documents furnished by ALGER HISS and other U.S. Government employees. CHAMBERS identified photograph of FELIX A. INSLERMAN as that of the photographer "FELIX". INSLERMAN born 7-11-1910, son of AUGUST JOHN and ANNA MARTIN INSLERMAN, both born Estonia.</p>			

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one week before Christmas, 1948, the INSLEMANs visited the LOTUSES and INSLEMAN then volunteered that he had been subpoenaed before the Federal Grand Jury in the "CHAMBERS" matter, and that he did not know either CHAMBERS or HISS.

INSLEMAN, in signed statement dated 12/23/48, denied knowing CHAMBERS or BYKOV, CP membership, photographing any documents belonging to the U.S. Government clandestinely, engaging in espionage or knowing first hand of any espionage in U.S.

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DETAILS:

ALLEGATIONS  
OF  
JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

On December 3, 1948, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS submitted a signed statement in which he said that one of the photographers who copied documents which ALGER HISS, and others employed by the United States Government, had furnished to him, was an individual whom he knew only as "FELIX". CHAMBERS advised that "FELIX" was introduced to him by Colonel BORIS BYKOV, early in 1937, as a Paid Functionary of the Communist Party.

On December 13, 1948, CHAMBERS advised the physical description of "FELIX" was as follows:

Name	"FELIX"
Age (in 1937)	Late twenties or early thirties
Weight	165 to 170 lbs.
Height	5' 7 1/2"
Peculiarities	Round, baby face (CHAMBERS stated he called "FELIX" by the nickname "BABY FACE"); clean shaven; no glasses; dress, neat; had black overcoat and gray hat; voice - conversed in English, no accent; believed he was native born of Baltic origin.

CHAMBERS advised that to the best of his recollection, "FELIX" had no hobbies. He recalls that "FELIX" was employed by an electrical firm, the nature of which was not clear to him. However, he was quite certain that it was not a retail firm, and "FELIX" had obtained the job in this firm himself. CHAMBERS had never seen the electrical firm, but he recalled that "FELIX" indicated to him that it was located on Howard Street below Fayette Street in Baltimore.

It was CHAMBERS' recollection that "FELIX" had a Leica camera. CHAMBERS believed he had never seen the camera, although he stated it was possible

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that he, CHAMBERS, may have given the camera to "FELIX". He said that "FELIX" had a wife whom CHAMBERS had never met, and as far as he knew, they had no children.

During the period of CHAMBERS' acquaintanceship with "FELIX", he owned an automobile which CHAMBERS believed to be either a Plymouth, a Ford, or a Chevrolet. He was of the opinion that the car was probably a black sedan and probably bore Maryland plates.

#### STEPS TAKEN TO IDENTIFY "FELIX"

On December 19, 1948 WHITTAKER CHAMBERS toured the neighborhood of Konig Street, Baltimore, Maryland, in which area he believed the unidentified photographer, "FELIX", resided. In recalling the circumstances of his visit to the area with "FELIX", CHAMBERS stated that in all probability he met "FELIX" by pre-arrangement on some street or in some park in Baltimore, Maryland. According to CHAMBERS' recollection, "FELIX" forgot to bring with him some necessary material, as a result of which "FELIX" and CHAMBERS drove to the Konig Street area so that "FELIX" could obtain the forgotten material from his home. CHAMBERS recalls that the car in which they were riding parked; "FELIX" then left the car and entered his home, although the exact location of the home could not be observed by CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS stated that upon "FELIX's" return to the car, they drove in an easterly direction, and as they left the area, he recalled turning around and observing back porches at the rear of the row of homes, one of which was entered by "FELIX". His recollection was that the name Konig Street remained in his mind over the years because it is in the general area and is the only street name that he could recall, and he must have observed the street sign on this visit to the area where the residence of "FELIX" was located.

Based on this information, a physical survey of the area in the vicinity of Konig Street was made with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, and as a result of this survey, CHAMBERS selected three groups of houses as possibilities which would include the residence of "FELIX". CHAMBERS' first preference was a group of houses located in the 2100 block of Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. The house numbers in this block run from 2101 to approximately 2115, and CHAMBERS

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excluded 2101 Callow Avenue from consideration. CHAMBERS placed this group as his first preference, inasmuch as this was the only group in the area in which back porches could be observed.

A survey of Baltimore City Directories and Reverse Telephone Directories for the years 1935 through 1938 was made to ascertain the names of residents of the 2100 block of Callow Avenue during the pertinent period 1937 and 1938, when "FELIX" was alleged to have resided in the neighborhood. Among the residents of the 2100 block of Callow Avenue during the pertinent period was located the name of FELIX AUGUST INSLEMAN as residing at 2113 Callow Avenue. A check of the Reverse Telephone Directories indicated that INSLEMAN was listed as residing at 2113 Callow Avenue, Baltimore, in the Directory issued in April 1937 through the Directory issued in April 1938. Reverse Directories appearing prior or subsequent to the above dates contained no listings for INSLEMAN.

On December 22, 1948, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was shown the photograph of FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN, as above described. At this time CHAMBERS made an instantaneous, definite, and unequivocal identification of INSLERMAN as the individual known to him in 1937 - 1938 in Baltimore, Maryland as "FELIX".

INTERVIEW  
OF  
FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN

On December 23, 1948 Special Agents FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and JOHN J. O'TOOLE, JR. talked with FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN, at the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, where he was employed, at which time INSLERMAN agreed to accompany the Agents to the resident agency office of this Bureau in Schenectady, New York. The interview began at approximately 11:00 A.M. on instant date. At the outset of the interview INSLERMAN was questioned concerning his knowledge of any espionage activities which had been engaged in by any individuals in or outside of the United States Government. INSLERMAN denied any knowledge of espionage activities. A photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

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was exhibited to him and he immediately denied knowing such a person. INSLERMAN was questioned concerning the taking of any photographs of documents for CHAMBERS, and INSLERMAN denied taking any such photographs. INSLERMAN was thoroughly questioned concerning his own background and employment, as well as his education and places he had resided and traveled. INSLERMAN furnished the following signed statement:

"Schenectady, New York  
December 23, 1948

" I FELIX AUGUST INSLERMAN make the following voluntary statement to JOHN J. O'TOOLE and FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I know that any statement I make may be used against me in a court of law. I have been advised that I have a right to counsel.

" I was born on July 11, 1910 in New York City. I attended New Brunswick High School, New Brunswick, New Jersey. From 1928 to 1932 I attended Cooper Union Institute of Technology. I also attended John Hopkins University from Oct., 1936 to June, 1939, at which time I received the degree of Bachelor of Science.

" As far as I can recall I first went to Baltimore, Maryland in 1936 during the time that I was in Baltimore I was employed by the BOHN REFRIGERATOR CO. as a draftsman. The Dakko Company also as a draftsman, this firm made photographic enlargers. In May of 1938 I went to work for the GLENN L. MARTIN COMPANY, manufacturers of aircraft. I was employed there in the engineering department until 1942. I then went to work for the REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPN., Farmingdale, L.I. My work at the REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPN. was in the Engineering Department until late 1946. In September of 1946 I went to work for the GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Schenectady, N.Y. where I am presently employed as an engineer. I have been and am now working on restricted work at GENERAL ELECTRIC.

" During the time that I lived in Baltimore Md. I believe I lived on Fir St. which is directly behind the GLENN R. MARTIN PLANT. I also lived on Callow Ave. in Baltimore Md. the exact number I do not recall but believe I

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"resided there in 1937 until sometime in 1938. I cannot recall the name of another street that I resided on outside of Baltimore.

" I am an amateur photographer and while residing on Callow Ave. I used the bathroom in the premises as a dark room to develop the film I had taken pictures with in my photography hobby.

" I have been shown a picture of an individual by the name of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. I categorically deny that I was ever acquainted with CHAMBERS. I also deny that I knew CHAMBERS by the name of 'CARL' or 'KARL' or that I was ever acquainted with CHAMBERS when he used the name of GEORGE CROSLY or any other name. I deny that I ever developed any film for CHAMBERS. I deny that CHAMBERS was ever in my home in Baltimore while I was residing on Callow Ave. or any other address in Baltimore. I deny that I ever went to Washington, D. C. to see CHAMBERS. I deny ever knowing an individual by the name of Colonel BYKOV.

" I have been shown photographs of ALGER HISS, FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, PATRICK WHELEN, BERNARD WEINKRANTZ and HENRY J. WADLEIGH. As far as I can recall I have never met RENO, WHELEN, WEINKRANTZ or WADLEIGH.

" I deny that I have ever photographed any documents or papers belonging to the U. S. Government clandestinely for any person or group. I have never engaged in any type of espionage work and deny that I had any first hand knowledge that espionage work was being carried on in the United States.

" A picture of an individual by the name of DAVID CARPENTER has been exhibited to me. I have never been acquainted with this individual by the name of CARPENTER.

" I deny that I was ever a member of the Communist Party or that any person ever attempted to recruit me to join the Communist Party. On several occasions while I attended Cooper Union Institute of Technology I stopped in Union Square New York to listen to individuals speak, but never participated in any discussions with persons at these meetings.

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" I have read this statement, consisting of one and three quarter hand-written pages and it is true to the best of my knowledge. I have initialed page one and this page.

/s/ Felix A. Inslerman

"Witnessed:

/s/ Francis D. O'Brien Special Agent F.B.I. N.Y.C.  
/s/ John J. O'Toole Special Agt. FBI Albany NY"

In the cellar of the residence were neatly piled in a box a number of New York City newspapers, all containing publicity given to the "HISS-CHAMBERS" case for approximately the preceding three weeks. It was noted that at the time INSLEMAN was questioned and shown photographs of CHAMBERS, HISS, WADLEIGH, and RENO, he had no hesitancy about the use of the individuals' names, and gave as a reason for this fact that he, INSLEMAN, had followed the case thoroughly in the newspapers. He explained that he had followed the entire case very carefully through the papers, and stated that it was only natural that anyone would have an extreme interest in that particular case.

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INSLEMAN was asked if he would accompany the Agents to New York City to confront WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He stated he would go willingly to New York



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City with the Agents to confront CHAMBERS, but would desire to do so the following day.

INSLERMAN then accompanied Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and the writer to Schenectady, New York, approximately forty miles from INSLERMAN's residence. During the course of this travel, INSLERMAN was thoroughly questioned as to his residence at Baltimore, Maryland. INSLERMAN claimed that he did reside on Callow Avenue as set forth in the signed statement, and that while residing there he used the bathroom of his house as a photographic dark room. However, he continued to deny that CHAMBERS had ever visited his home in Baltimore, or that he ever knew anyone by the name of CHAMBERS.

At that time, according to LOTUS, INSLERMAN volunteered the information that he had been subpoenaed by the Federal Grand Jury for the Southern District of New York in connection with the inquiry that body was making into the CHAMBERS matter. LOTUS further stated INSLERMAN volunteered the information he did not know CHAMBERS nor did he know ALGER HISS.

LEICA CAMERA

As a result of interviews with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS regarding the photographer "FELIX", it was CHAMBERS' recollection that "FELIX" had a Leica camera. CHAMBERS was of the opinion that he had never seen the camera, although he stated that it was possible that he, CHAMBERS, may have given the camera to "FELIX".

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"and reason to believe that such information was to be used to the benefit of a foreign power and to the injury of the United States, and have conspired to defraud the United States of the honest, impartial and loyal services of certain of its employees by procuring them to remove and make available to unauthorized persons official documents of the United States Government.

" 3. In my official capacity, as a result of official investigations conducted by me and official reports and other official material read and reviewed by me, I am satisfied and believe that the above mentioned crimes arose out of the following: Beginning about 1936 and continuing to about April, 1938, one Jay David Whittaker Chambers procured certain employees of the Government of the United States to remove official documents and information from the possession of various departments of the Government and to make them available to himself and other unauthorized persons for ultimate delivery to a foreign power; as delivered to Chambers this material consisted of original documents or written or typewritten copies or summaries thereof; it was Chambers' practice and that of the other unauthorized persons to deliver such material to certain photographers, including said Felix A. Inslerman, for photographic reproduction on microfilm,

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"and upon completion of such photographing to return the official documents to the said Government employees for restoration in the Government's files; certain of this microfilm, which is of 35 millimeter size, has been produced by Chambers; the equipment used for the purpose of such photographic reproduction included at least one Leica camera; there is some indication that these practices were continued for an undetermined period subsequent to April, 1938.

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"cameras referred to above, including an Ernemann-Bob which he had had in his possession since 1936, would take standard film.

" 6. As a result of the information received by me in the course of the performance of my official duties in connection with this case, I am reasonably satisfied and have cause to believe that the Leica camera, bearing serial number 234730 above referred to, was properly designed and intended for use and which was used as a means of committing the offenses above described and that it was possessed and controlled and designed and intended for use and used in violation of the Espionage Act (Act of June 15, 1917, as amended). On the basis of such official information in my possession, I have further reasonable cause to believe that the said Ernemann-Bob camera may have been so used.

" 7. Deponent further says that on the 5th day of January, 1949 at the offices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Court House, New York City, he had a conversation with the said Jay David Whittaker Chambers, whom deponent knows has given information to the United States Government concerning the matters set forth in the second and third paragraphs of this affidavit, and the same Chambers told deponent that he had furnished government documents to be photographed to a man by the name

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"of Felix who lived on Callow Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland and who did photographic work and had a Leica camera; that said Chambers further stated in this same conversation that on January 3rd, 1949 he saw the said person whom he knew as Felix in the United States Court House in New York City and that he then learned that he was known as Felix A. Inslerman; deponent further says that he himself saw the said Felix A. Inslerman in the United States Court House in New York City on the 3rd of January, 1949.

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FETTY then said that relative to their discussion about the Bar that it was black mail to threaten him that way and that they will not be able to get away with it. She said that, "It was a lousy trick" to threaten him, to which RUSHORE said, "I wish the dirty s.o.b.'s would threaten me". Mrs. LEWIS said that it was "Some Commie in the State Department who wanted to know who had released the information." RUSHORE said that he wanted to go on record that it was ALGER HISS, who is probably running the State Department and that he, RUSHORE, had a witness who worked for "Time Magazine" who would be willing to get on a witness stand and state that HISS paid dues to the Communist Party for three years. (RUSHORE is probably referring to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, one of the editors of Time Magazine and former member of the Communist Party. CHAMBERS had been used as an informant relative to Communist matters.)

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says present at the University of Virginia was quite a group of people, among whom were Charles Gregory, the former Labor Department solicitor, and Charles A. Horsky, who were all acquainted or were friends of Alger Hiss. He

Ferman then remarked that he is very much concerned about the apparent rising tide of criticism against the Bureau and referred to the criticism the Fred J. Cook book on Alger Hiss,

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He said that per-  
haps the CAC should work in such fields as the defense of ALGER HISS,

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II. JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS'  
ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING FRANKLIN  
VICTOR RENO

ISAAC DON LEVIN advised Special Agents JAMES F. SULLIVAN and JAMES P. MARTIN of the New York Office on December 20, 1948, that he arranged for CHAMBERS to meet ADOLPH BERLE in the Fall of 1939, and that they did have dinner at the BERLE home on December 2, 1939. LEVIN took notes and he recalls that CHAMBERS, in reporting on Communist Party underground activities to BERLE, mentioned VINCENT and PHILIP RENO along with other individuals such as ALGER HISS, et al.

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Governor Gruening, when interviewed, on September 26, 1950, advised that while he was in Washington he had known Alger Hiss very casually, however, knew absolutely nothing about Hiss' political and philosophical beliefs, and that he had never been in Hiss' home nor had Hiss been in his.

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GRUENING admitted knowing ALGER HISS casually

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GOVERNOR GRUENING stated that he knew ALGER HISS very casually while both were living in Washington, D.C., but he knew absolutely nothing about HISS.

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political or philosophical beliefs and he was very much surprised when the facts came out concerning HISS and he was brought to trial. GRUENING stated that he had never been in the HISS home and that HISS had never been in his home.



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~~Whittaker Chambers had named~~  
~~Lee Pressman as a member of the same~~  
~~apparent organization.~~ Lee Recently before the  
House Committee on Un-American Activities Lee  
Pressman admitted having joined the Communist  
Party in 1934 but had gotten out after one year.

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Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

\* RELAY TO WFO

WA AND WFO 6 FROM BA 11-22-50 5-24 PM MLF

DIRECTOR AND SAC WASHINGTON FIELD URGENT

STATE, LGE. RE BUREAU LETTER TO WFO  
DATED OCT TWENTYFIVE, FIFTY. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS ADVISED SA  
PAUL D. EARNEST ON NOV TWENTYONE, FIFTY, THAT SOMETIME  
DURING THE LATTER PART OF THIRTYSIX OR IN THE EARLY PART  
OF THIRTYSEVEN, ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS ENTERTAINED ON NUMEROUS  
OCCASIONS AN INDIVIDUAL BY NAME OF [REDACTED] WHO WORKED IN THE  
STATE DEPARTMENT, PROBABLY IN THE [REDACTED]  
IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AT THIS TIME THE HISSSES, ACCORDING TO  
THE RECOLLECTION OF CHAMBERS, WERE RESIDING AT THEIR THIRTIETH  
STREET HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAMBERS STATED THAT AT THIS  
TIME THE HISSSES CONSIDERED [REDACTED] AND ANOTHER STATE DEPARTMENT  
EMPLOYEE BY NAME OF [REDACTED] AS POTENTIAL MATERIAL FOR  
RECRUITMENT INTO THE CP UNDERGROUND APPARATUS WHICH WAS HEADED  
BY CHAMBERS. ACCORDING TO CHAMBERS, [REDACTED] BELONGED  
TO A GROUP IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT WHO WERE KNOWN AS LIBERALS  
AND FOR THIS REASON THEY WERE SELECTED BY THE HISSSES AS POTENTIAL  
COMMUNISTS. CHAMBERS ADVISED HOWEVER THAT ALGER HISS WAS NEVER  
VERY ENTHUSIASTIC CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND COULD MAKE  
NO PROGRESS WITH THEM. ACCORDING TO CHAMBERS, NO OVERT STATEMENTS  
WERE MADE BY THE HISSSES AND NEITHER [REDACTED] KNEW

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ANYTHING OF THE REAL MOTIVE OF THE HISSES APPROACH. CHAMBERS STATED THAT IN HIS OPINION THESE PEOPLE WERE ENTIRELY INNOCENT AND NEVER KNEW WHY THEY WERE ASKED TO VISIT WITH THE HISSES. CHAMBERS COULD FURNISH NO IDENTIFYING INFO CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND WAS UNABLE TO RECALL HIS FIRST NAME, STATING THAT HE DOUBTED IF HE HAD EVER HEARD IT MENTIONED BY THE HISSES. WASHINGTON FIELD IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN IF THE EMPLOYEE WAS THE ONLY [REDACTED] EMPLOYED IN THE STATE DEPT. IN THIRTYSIX DASH THIRTYSEVEN AND IF SO REPORT THE INFO FURNISHED BY CHAMBERS IN AN INVESTIGATIVE REPORT. IF INVESTIGATION BY THE WFO INDICATES THAT THE EMPLOYEE WAS NOT THE ONLY INDIVIDUAL BY NAME OF [REDACTED] EMPLOYED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT DURING THE ABOVEMENTIONED YEARS, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT WFO REPORT THE INFO FURNISHED BY CHAMBERS IN ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE REPORT. BUDED NOV TWENTYSEVEN. RUC.

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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS advised on November 21, 1950 that sometime during the latter part of 1936 or early 1937, ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS entertained an individual by the name of [REDACTED] who then worked in the State Department, Washington, D. C. At that time, the HISSes, according to the recollection of CHAMBERS, were residing at their thirtieth Street House, Washington, D. C. CHAMBERS stated at that time the HISSes considered [REDACTED] as potential material for recruitment into the Communist Party underground apparatus which was headed by Chambers. According to CHAMBERS, [REDACTED] was said to have belonged to a group in the State Department who were considered "liberals" and for that reason was selected by the HISSes as a potential Communist. CHAMBERS related that ALGER HISS was never enthusiastic concerning [REDACTED] and could make no progress with him. According to CHAMBERS, no overt statements were made by the HISSes and [REDACTED] did not know the real motive of the approach of the HISSes. CHAMBERS added that in his opinion [REDACTED] was entirely innocent and never knew why he was asked to visit with the HISSes. Chambers was unable to furnish any identifying information concerning [REDACTED] and was unable to recall his first name. (171-25182-18)

ALGER HISS was tried in New York on November 17, 1949. The jury returned a verdict of guilty on January 21, 1950 against ALGER HISS on both counts in the indictment for perjury and HISS was sentenced on January 25, 1950 to five years imprisonment on each of the two counts in the indictment, the sentences to run concurrently. HISS was subsequently released on \$10,000 bail pending appeal of the case.

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In connection with the information furnished by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as reflected in Baltimore teletype dated November 22, 1950, it is noted that CHAMBERS merely advised that ALGER HISS selected , not further identified, in the State Department as a potential Communist. However, he was unable to make any progress with . No overt statements were made by HISS, and according to CHAMBERS, did not even know he was being so considered.



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			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Pertinent part of deposition of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in US District Court at Baltimore, Maryland on 11/5/48 set forth, as well as documentation of CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS.

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 Report of SA HAROLD P. HINCKLEY, at NY, dated 2/25/54.

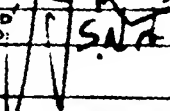
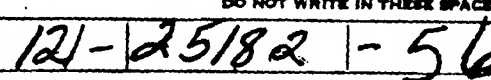
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New York City T-11

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : H. B. Fletcher Time of call: 9:20 a.m.

DATE: March 12, 1949

FROM : J. T. Patts

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Hilsbos stated he believed that Stephen John Brody, 19 Hector Street, mentioned in New York teletype dated March 12, 1949, is either a lawyer or private detective who was hired by the attorneys for Alger ~~Miss~~ to do some work on that case.

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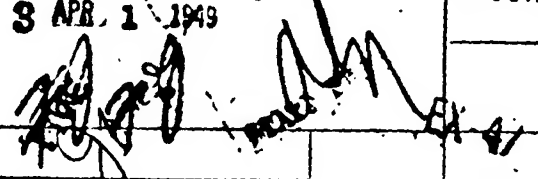
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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS stated that HENRY HILL COLLINS was a member of an original underground group organized by HAROLD WARE among Government employees in Washington, D. C. in the early 1930's. The primary objective at the outset was to place Communists in important positions where they had opportunity for advancement in order to formulate and influence policy along lines sympathetic to Communist interests. CHAMBERS included in this group ALGER and DONALD HISS, JOHN ABT, CHARLES KRALER, VICTOR PERLO, NATHAN WITT, and LEE PRESSMAN in addition to HENRY HILL COLLINS, who acted as treasurer of this group.

HENRY HILL COLLINS was interviewed on December 5, 1948 in the office of the American-Russian Institute, 58 Park Avenue, New York City, which is also Mr. COLLINS' residence, by SA's NORMAN P. BAGWELL and THOMAS G. SPENCER. When questioned concerning his knowledge of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, he replied that he had been interviewed on several occasions concerning this individual but that during these interviews he had failed to recall any information concerning WHITTAKER CHAMBERS or whether he had ever met this person. He stated that since the recent publicity of Mr. CHAMBERS and Mr. HISS, particularly before the House Un-American Activities Committee, he is now of the definite impression that he saw a person probably identical with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS but who did not use that particular name in Washington, D. C. in the middle 1930's. It was COLLINS' recollection that he saw CHAMBERS on several occasions at cocktail parties and other social affairs in Washington, D. C. and stated that it is possible that CHAMBERS might have been a guest in his, COLLINS', home on such an occasion. COLLINS stated that he remembered CHAMBERS as a newspaper man or a writer of some type or other.

3/31/49

ALGER HISS, in the course of an interview in connection with the allegations made by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, advised that he was acquainted with HENRY HILL COLLINS and had associated with him during his early youth in Maryland. He has since that time been a friend of COLLINS.

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She stated that Mr. COEN among other things accused her to the jury of being a protege of LAUCHLIN CURRIE and ALGER HISS and an outstanding example of how people of her ilk advanced in the State Department, which she stated was anything but factual.

101-3616-109

**Assistant Attorney General  
Warren Olney III**

**March 23, 1954**

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**Director, FBI**

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Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS MURPHY advised on September 20, 1949 that he had heard from a source which he termed reliable that LAWRENCE DUGGAN, son of STEPHEN DUGGAN, was practically forced by ALGER HISS to accept for employment by the Institute, persons who resigned from the Federal Government during inquiries into their loyalty. HISS supposedly threatened to cut off Carnegie Foundation finances to the Institute.

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, former editor of the "Daily Worker", an East Coast daily Communist newspaper, advised that ALGER HISS was a member of a "Communist-underground" cell in Washington, D. C. in the 1930's. HISS is currently incarcerated following his conviction for perjury in connection with his Communist activities.

101-5028-72

7/31/50

Wagon wrote to Miss after he was convicted. I do happen to know that she

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *E* Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, New York

*W R  
7/24/50  
3/10/51*

DATE: August 21, 1950

Also, that she holds ALGER, HISS and like individuals in high esteem.

cc: Albany  
New Haven

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: July 12, 1950

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD  
*LMH*

The Philadelphia Office pointed out that Mr. MARTIN was a former partner of THOMAS L. FARMER, father of PRISCILLA BESS; and that Mr. MARTIN was very cooperative with the Philadelphia Office during the investigation of the ALGER BESS case.

105-12558-1

7/12/50

The case proven against the spy HISS is well known. This man, an American, was in the State Department during the war, at the same time as Tolson, in charge of the transmission of information to Russia, influencing Russian policy in favor of Russia. Among the members of HISS's last firm in New York City, is the brother of HISS.

HISS was appointed to his lucrative and influential position as head of the "Carnegie Endowment for International Peace" by TRUMAN, the man who would have been Secretary of State had HISS been elected President.

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FOX also advised he had visited the  
home of HARRY STUBBS WHITE and ALGER  
MISS.

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homes of HARRY DEXTER WHITE and ALGER HISS. /

3/13/52

IRVING CHAMBERS, a confessed Soviet Espionage Agent, advised that ALGER HISS was a member of a Communist Party underground group operating in Washington in the late 1930s. CHAMBERS advised that HISS made available to him confidential information and documents from the files of the State Department, where he was then employed, knowing that this information would be furnished to CHAMBERS, a Soviet Agent. ALGER HISS denied these allegations publicly before a hearing of the House Committee on Un-American Activities in August, 1948. On the basis of this testimony in Federal Court for the Southern District of New York, ALGER HISS was indicted and tried for perjury, of which charge he was found guilty by the District Court in the same jurisdiction, and sentenced to serve five years.

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Admits meeting  
and being in contact with such persons as ALGER  
HISS, MAX BOERLHAL, CLARA HILL COLLINS, CHARLES  
BRADLEY, and others as the result of her position  
with HILL COMMITTEE and subsequent employment with  
other Committees.

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ADmits MEETING AND BEING  
IN CONTACT WITH SUCH PEOPLE AS ALGER ~~X~~MISS, MAY ~~X~~LOWENTHAL, HENRY HILL ~~X~~COLLINS,  
IRVING ~~X~~KAPLAN, CHARLES ~~X~~KRAMER AND OTHERS AS ~~X~~RESULT OF HER POSITION ON NYE  
COMMITTEE AND SUBSEQUENT OTHER COMMITTEES.

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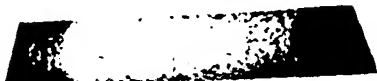
Also of interest was the fact that ALGER HISS was also employed at that time on the Senate Munitions Committee and as late as 1936 the subject listed HISS as a reference for application for a Government position.

101-3411-164

10/27/51

An informant of unknown reliability recently  
advised subject was formerly a close associate of Alger  
Hiss.

101-5178-9



11/9/51

You should particularly ascertain the nature of any association by the subject with Alger Hiss, and any activities which identify the subject with the so-called "Perlo Group."

101-5178-9

12/20/50

Mrs. HERBST denied ever knowing DONALD HISS, CHARLES KRAMER, VICTOR PERLO, HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR., NATHAN WITT, ALGER HISS, PRISCILLA HISS, JAY PETERS, or            SILVERMAN. It was in connection with questioning concerning SILVERMAN that Mrs. HERBST recalled meeting SILVERMASTER.

101-5244-12

2/3/53

At this time I am listing the names of the following individuals in the following cities, who in the years I knew them I believed to be members of the Communist Party. I have no idea whether they are still members now since I have been completely out of touch with politics for more than two years, and with many of these people for ten years.

WASHINGTON: /

HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR.; BELA and SONYA GOLD;  
DOC BLUMBERG, ALGER ~~MISS~~ and wife; FALLEN ~~EBER~~; HERBERT  
~~SCHIFFEL~~; SYLVIA ~~BLITCHER~~; SALLY ~~SORDON~~, (Front not CP that  
I know of); JULIA ~~LATZ~~; MERIAN ~~SCHLACH~~; MERIAN ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~; BEN  
~~MOORE~~ and wife; ADAM ~~LAPIN~~ and wife; FRANK ~~SHYLICK~~.

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In addition, NICHOLS said that he was at the San Francisco Conference; that he knew ALGER HISS well:

stated that NICHOLS made statements that he had done propaganda work on behalf of ALGER HISS in Los Angeles, California

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                  further advised that he only knows that NICHOLS was in San Francisco and had no knowledge whether NICHOLS attended the San Francisco Conference or was friendly with ALGER HISS.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

### The Alger Hiss Debate

To The Journal: Regarding my television debate with former President Truman, which you covered so well in your columns, Mr. Truman denied that J. Edgar Hoover had ever told him that Harry Dexter White was associated with Soviet espionage.

I replied: "He so stated in his letter to Gen. Vaughan." Mr. Truman's rejoinder was: "No, he didn't. Ever read the letter?" I answered "Yes." The former president then said: "Well, you didn't read it very carefully."

I have before me J. Edgar Hoover's letter to Gen. Vaughan, dated Nov. 8, 1945, as reprinted in U. S. News and World Report (Nov. 27, 1953).

In this letter Mr. Hoover lists Harry Dexter White and Nathan Gregory Silvermaster as among "persons . . . actually the source from which information passing through the Soviet espionage system was being obtained" and describes White and Silvermaster as "participants in this operation or . . . utilized by principals in this ring for the purpose of obtaining data in which the Soviet is interested."

In a subsequent letter, dated Feb. 1, 1946, Mr. Hoover describes White as "a valuable adjunct to an underground Soviet espionage organization operating in Washington, D. C." (Same source.)

In his book, "Witness," Whittaker Chambers writes: "In the persons of Alger Hiss and Harry Dexter White, the Soviet military intelligence sat close to the heart of the United States government."

This is the same Hiss that Mr. Truman denied was a Communist spy.

**ANTHONY T. BOUSCAREN,**

Associate Professor Political Science,

Marquette University

Milwaukee.

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MR. BRANIGAN

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Letter to Director

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The Walter Winchell Broadcast of December 17, 1950, was monitored by Supervisor Edward S. Sanders and below are items from that broadcast which may be of interest to the Bureau:

"The lawyers for Alger Hiss are telling friends they will uncover a scientific bombshell and asked for a new trial."

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RECOMMENDATION: This is for your information.

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OK OK

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BELMONT

In analyzing the above information, it would appear that relative to the Alger Hiss case, Winchell is referring to the apparent attempts on the part of the defense to build a typewriter which will have identical characteristics as those of the Hiss typewriter which produced the questioned documents used at the trial. As you know, we have received information on this from our New York Office and are following the activities of the defense in this attempt. We have also called the tactics of the defense to the attention of Mr. Donegan, in order that he may mention these tactics to the court if it appears appropriate.

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Mr. FRED T. WILKINSON, Warden, and Mr. JOHN A. TAYLOR, Associate Warden, advised on 8/5/54 the barber shop schedules are arranged by the administration of the institution and not by an inmate clerk. In their opinion HARRY GOLD, ALGER HISS, JOHN WILLIAMSON and DAVID GREENGLASS were not regular customers of DI MARZO.

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SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

DALLAS, TEXAS

March 16, 1950

Honorable Joseph R. McCarthy  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

MAR 20 1950

Dear Sir:

Congratulations on your effort to get the communists out of the State Department. May I say to you that as far back as 1946 a list containing seven names of communists or fellow travelers in the State Department was circulated. The list was as follows: Dean Acheson, Ben V. Cohen, Leo Pasvolksy, Alfred McCormick, Spurille Braden, John Carter Vincent, and Alger Hiss.

Encl. to

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# INVENTORY WORKSHEET

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Pursuant to the instructions in reference teletype,  
was questioned regarding the names of DEAN WACHESON, BEN  
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[REDACTED] letter to Senator McCARTHY on March 16, 1950.

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stated that he remembered two things that  
WATT told him, and they were

(1) that ALGER HISS was a card carrying member of the  
Communist Party, and

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## PARTY RESPONSIBILITY

**AFTER** a two year struggle consisting of conventions, conferences, write, briefs, denials, excuses, acceptance and rejection the Christian Nationalist Party of Missouri will finally present a list of candidates to appear on the ballot in the general election to be held in November, 1950. This is a great victory for the party movement — it also entails a great responsibility.



In the past the Christian Nationalist movement has been primarily an educational movement. Educating the American people to the destructive personal, political and programs that were taking us into slavery. In the future our movement must become a movement of action. We must go to the people with our program of justice action to rescue our country from the hands of the enemy.

## OUR ENEMIES

The enemy that we fight is the alien force that has gained complete control over the two old, political parties, and has changed them from American parties into race-mixing, atheistic, communistic machines to destroy the Christian America.

The two party system in our country has completely disappeared. The once free Republican Party and the once courageous Democratic Party have been absorbed and dominated by the Jewish-Marxist cabal that strives for world control. Both old parties campaign for the same un-American issues: complete mixture of the black and white races; confederate taxes; world government. As a result the American voter has been disenfranchised. He has lost his right to vote because he is not allowed to have a candidate he can conscientiously support. In the 1948 presidential election only 48% of the persons eligible to vote went to the polls. Why vote for a party that practices open destruction — and that is all the old parties are allowed to preach.

## OUR PROGRAM

The birth of the Christian Nationalist Party means the rebirth of the two party system. The first time since 1933 that a political party has put forward candidates who represented the will of the people of America and not the will of the Jew corruptionist.

The white man who believes in the purity and integrity of his race, who believes that his race is the race of destiny, now has a political weapon with which to fight the mongrelizer and the alien.

The Christian who believes that the power behind the creation and building of our America was a deep faith in Jesus Christ now has a political weapon with which to scourge the money changers in our national temples.

The American who believes that the super-state philosophy is a Jewish-Marxist plot to turn our nation over to the barbaric hordes of heathendom, and to bankrupt our people as a prelude to enslavement, now has a weapon, a political instrument, with which to beat the spivakish intruders from our shores.

Our slogan is "One Faith — One Race — One Nation." On this battle cry we shall stir the people to free themselves before it is overwhelmingly too late.

## DREW PEARSON BRANDED AS LIAR

**CONGRESSMAN** Drew Pearson, Chairman of the committee on un-American activities denounced gossip monger Drew Pearson as a liar beyond compare and a weapon used by the Communists. When Wood finished his speech, the members of the House of Representatives rose as a body and applauded and cheered loud and long.

Wood called Pearson an "arch liar," "scandal monger," "character assassin," "rogue" and "slanderer."

Wood continued: "Drew Pearson has consistently misrepresented, slandered, and abused every person — man or woman — who, because of love of country and constitutional liberty, have raised their voices against the spread of alien ideologies and against those who would overthrow our form of government."

He has been the most effective weapon that the minorities have been able to use in America for the undermining of our whole constitutional system.

To him there is nothing under the heavens that is sacred. He betrays and means to betray everything he touches. He occupies the unique and honorable position today of standing alone at the very pinnacle of all the slanderers and scandal mongers in all of American history.

The chief leg man and snoper for Drew Pearson's smear campaign is a Jew by the name of David Katz. Katz was formerly a staff member of the Communist paper the Daily Worker.

They are slaves who fear to speak for the fallen and the weak. They are slaves who will not choose hatred, scolding and abuse rather than in silence shrink.

They are slaves who dare not be for the right with two or three.

## NEW PARTY PREDICTED

**IN** his recently published book, "Lower Prices Coming (International Economic Research Bureau) William J. Baxter, noted economist and analyst, states:

"The American middle class got their first real 'knockdown' since the industrial age began, in 1929 and in the four years that followed. The complete failure of the domestic and foreign programs of our so-called statesmen means that our great middle classes — like the fighter — are going down for the second time. Studying what similar pressure has done to the middle classes in other countries, I am convinced that as a result the middle class in this country is going to organize a new political party completely different from the two now existing."

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## WORLD NEWS SERVICE

News Reports and Political Interpretations Compiled By Nationalist Leaders In All The Major Cities of The World

## FROM GERMANY

**MUNICH** — It has recently been revealed that at the Nuremberg Trials Justice Jackson denied the defense council access to printing facilities. The same source also has a hitherto unpublished statement by Julius Streicher.

"I was chained, beaten with whips, and thrown to the floor. I was made to kiss the feet of negroes. I was kept naked in my cell for days. White and colored officers spat into my mouth, and when I closed it they opened it with a stick."

At the Nuremberg Trials this statement of Streicher was held improper by the court and was ordered expunged from the official record of the trials.

**BERLIN** — The outside world has never been informed that in the famous currency reform in the summer of 1948 Germans were required to exchange their old money for new money at the rate of 10 old marks for 1 new mark. Jews were allowed to exchange theirs at the rate of one for one. Nor is it generally known that any Jew in Germany can reclaim any property he ever possessed — even though he may have sold it to a German in the past, and he need not refund the money.

**DACHAU** — In a recent "war crimes" trial (still being conducted five years after the close of the war) a German private was condemned to death for the "crime" of having been on guard duty in an internment camp. His service record proved that at the time in question he was at the Russian front. A Jew witness alleged that the soldier was at the camp — so, he was hanged.

## FROM FRANCE

**PARIS** — Maurice Deleche, one of the intellectual leaders of French nationalism, is imprisoned and to be tried for the unknown crime of "Apology for Munich." What did he do? He wrote a book entitled "Nuremberg and the Promised Land" — in the book he told the simple truth about the sadistic trials of the German leaders. He also revealed to the French public that the story of six million dead Jews was merely a concoction of lies publicized by the Jew controlled press. The entire undistributed edition of the book is confiscated by the Jew Minister of Interior, Jules Moch.

**PARIS** — René Binet, leader of the Social Movement for French Unity and a veteran of the Russian front, has been condemned to two years imprisonment. Eighteen members of the movement were condemned with him. They were convicted of the crime of "gathering elements against Jewish democracy." Binet has appealed the sentence. His organization has been pronounced illegal and ordered dissolved. The Minister of Justice is the Jew René Mayer.

**PARIS** — "The Life of Stalin," by Immanuel, suppressed during the war years, has recently fallen into the hands of our correspondent. On page 11, discussing the parents of Stalin (Bessie and Vladimir Jughashvili), Bessie states:

"Their marriage was not an affair of love. It was required by the customs of the country. The contract was concluded at Ekimuzki (now called Stalinozere). The young robber Bessie, originally from the hamlet of Yelo, had a small robber's shop in this village. The father of Gato (Stalin's mother) was a Jew junk peddler in the mountains of Koutaisi. He also had a little novelty shop. To-

ward the end of the month of December, 1879, Gato brought a son into the world. The exact date of this event is not known with certainty."

## FROM EIRE

**DUBLIN** — Few persons outside of Ireland are aware of the extent of Jewish penetration and control. The Elinor chain of motion picture houses now extends throughout all Ireland, bringing the source of adult entertainment in Ireland into alien hands.

Another example of Jewish penetration was the Zionist celebration of the foundation of the terror state in Palestine which was held in the Metropole, Dublin's largest hotel. Admission was \$10.00 and a Jewish orchestra was brought in from London.

A third example was the election of the Royal College of Physicians of the Jew L. Abrahamson.

**DUBLIN** — The Irish Communists have had to go to England for a printer for their official organ for Irish youth. One Irish printer, after another, after penetrating the camouflage of the frequently changed organization names, have unconsciously turned them out. On this issue there is almost 100% Irish solidarity, north and south. A short rope for the Reds.

## FROM SCOTLAND

**GLASGOW** — In a public statement recently by the Jew M. H. Glazov stated: "It was the World Jewish Congress which secured the holding of the Nuremberg Trials at which it provided expert advice and valuable evidence. It was the World Jewish Congress that had such lines of communication throughout the war, extending even into the German Foreign Office, that they received information long before the British Secret Service or the American Intelligence did."

## FROM PALESTINE

**JERUSALEM** — Since the formation of the Jewish terror state in Palestine, a total of thirty eight Jews have immigrated to Palestine from the United States. 15,000 Jews in Palestine have attempted to get visas allowing them to go to the United States.

## FROM ENGLAND

**LONDON** — Britain has lost 100,000 persons through emigration since the war and has admitted almost the same number of Jews from Europe.

**LONDON** — Sir Walter Smith, Conservative M. P., will petition for the removal from office of Strachey (War Secretary) and Morrison (D. Lewis Secretary), both Jews.

**MANCHESTER** — In a recent address by Anthony Gannon, leader of the "Empire Liberation Front" in England, Churchill was reminded of the following remarks he made during the war: "God bless you, Stalin." "Stalin the great." "This great, rugged war chief." "My heart bleeds for Russia. Their word is their bond."



"I CONFESS, THAT I AM NOT RECONCILED TO THE IDEA OF A CHIEF MAGISTRATE PARADING HIMSELF THROUGH THE SEVERAL STATES AS AN OBJECT OF PUBLIC GAZE AND IN QUEST OF AN APPLAUSE WHICH TO BE VALUABLE, SHOULD BE PURELY VOLUNTARY. I HAD RATHER ACQUIRE STEADY GOOD WILL BY A FAITHFUL DISCHARGE OF MY DUTIES THAN OWE EXPRESSIONS OF IT TO MY PUTTING MYSELF IN THE WAY OF RECEIVING THEM. ... A JOURNEY TO BOSTON AFTER I SHALL BE A PRIVATE CITIZEN WOULD MUCH BETTER HARMONIZE WITH MY FEELINGS AS WELL AS MY DUTIES."

From a letter of Thomas Jefferson addressed to the Governor of Massachusetts declining the Governor's invitation to visit Massachusetts.

It was on the day dedicated to the memory of Thomas Jefferson that Harry Truman climaxed his "non political" tour with a mass meeting in Chicago, Illinois. In a futile attempt to fill the hall it was announced that 10,000 helium filled balloons would be released inside the meeting hall — 2,000 of the balloons contained \$2.00 bills.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

CURTIS (BUZZY) DALL, youngest grandson of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt, announced on the eve of his marriage that he would soon make application to change his name to Roosevelt.

White men, as a race, are proud of their names and the names of their fathers. It is unusual for a White man to change his name unless he is a criminal. Many White Americans received this bit of news with a feeling of disgust and abhorrence, but we must remember that this act is in line with the accepted practices of a whole race, wherever any financial or other advantage would accrue. The Lapschitzs and the Goldbergs never hesitate to throw aside the names of their fathers and take on new ones.

Blood will tell, and the characteristics of a breed will show up sooner or later. In the case of a Roosevelt it is usually sooner.

Secret Government

(Continued from page 1)

Dean Lehman is an intimate friend of Frankfurter.

Morgenthau, former Secretary of the Treasury, is credited with authoring the infamous "Morgenthau Plan" which proposed the slaughtering of millions of German women and children, sons by Jewish saboteurs. Harry Dexter White (born 1892), identified as a Communist spy, was assistant treasury secretary under Morgenthau. Morgenthau has been active in the Zionist movement which led to the formation of the Jewish terrorist state in Palestine.

Lehman, who has also supported the Jewish terrorists in Palestine,

**Plot To Destroy Our Nation Approved By GOP Lawmakers**

ON Thursday, February 1st, 1945, the Missouri Legislature received a Joint Resolution providing for the "Declaration of the Federation of the World." The resolution, which actually calls for the abolishment of the United States, was introduced over the signature of Republican Murray L. Thompson.

In 1948 Murray L. Thompson was the unsuccessful candidate of the Republican Party for the office of Governor of the sovereign state of Missouri.

Subsequent to February 1st, 1945, this un-American Joint Resolution was passed by both houses of the Missouri Legislature — which at that time was controlled by the Republican Party.

In a personal interview, Thompson said, "I personally took the resolution, after it was passed, and delivered it into the hands of President Truman. Mr. E. R. Thompson, Chairman of the Board of the Plaza Bank in St. Louis, accompanied me."

ABOLISH OUR ARMY

Secretly this resolution was introduced. Secretly it was passed. So well was this anti American conspiracy conducted that no record of the passing of this resolution by the State Senate can be found in Jefferson City.

Not one of the St. Louis papers publicized the resolution.

One of the acts demanded by this Joint Resolution is that the United States of America disband its Army.

"No nation should be excluded from membership ... that is willing to suppress its military, naval and air forces, retaining only a constabulary ..."

DESTROY OUR NATION

This Republican sponsored and Republican passed resolution next calls for the destruction of our nation and the abolition of our freedom.

"It is better for the world to be ruled by an international sovereignty ... than by diverse national sovereignties organically incapable of preventing their own dissolution by conquest."

The aim of the Communist Party in Moscow is to establish one government in the world — a Communist World State. It was not the Communists in Missouri, but the Republican Party that passed this resolution requesting that the Congressmen and Senators from Missouri support and vote for a World Government that would destroy the American Army and abolish all American freedom.

It was not an official of the Communist Party, but the candidate for Governor in the Republican ticket, who sponsored this treasonable action.

WHAT IS IT?

A World Government would mean the end of the American Constitution, the scrapping of our Declaration of Independence, and the enslavement of all American citizens to a Government of Asiatics, Communists and colored races.

A World Government would mean the establishment of a world court before which any American citizen could be tried by a judge and jury composed of Asiatics, Communists and anti Americans.

A World Government would mean the replacing of the American Army by a world police force composed of Asiatics, Communists, and anti Americans.

It has played a major role in opposing Senator McCarthy's exposure of Communism in the government.



and negroes who would patrol the streets of America.

A World Government would have the power to impose confiscatory taxes upon the American people in order to line the pockets of politicians in every nation of the world.

A World Government would mean the end of all immigration laws and the flooding of our United States with Asiatics, and Communists — and with it the destruction of the high living standard we now enjoy.

A World Government would establish a World Church in which the atheism of Communist Russia would have as much say as the Christianity of America and Europe.

Murray L. Thompson and the Republican Legislators were able to spin their web of subversion because the citizens of Missouri were uninformed.

Most of the State Legislators didn't know what they were voting for. You must tell them. Write to your Governor! Write to your State Senator! Write to your State Representative! Demand that this resolution be called up again and voted down.

In November at the polls remember that it was a Republican resolution that calls for the abolishment of the United States.

Listed below are various items of literature distributed by the Christian Nationalist Crusade, P. O. Box D-4, St. Louis 1, Mo. Numerous other pieces are available. Complete price list will be sent upon request.

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It comes not with peace—but a sword. MAY 10, 34

St. Louis, Missouri

## NATIONALISTS TO MEET IN MASS CONVENTION

Los Angeles, California, to Be Scene of National Convention of Christian Nationalist Crusade.

IN the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, on the 20-21-22-23 of July, the Christian Nationalist Crusade will hold its third annual convention. 24 speakers, representing Christian Nationalist groups from every section of the United States, will address the delegates. The four day convention will be divided into eight sessions, and close with a gigantic mass rally on the night of Sunday, July 23.

Gerald L. K. Smith, National Director of the Crusade, is issuing the call to assemble, said.

"Today our nation stands at the crossroads. We either sink into Marxist-materialist slavery, or we rise to undreamed of heights of freedom and abundance with a White Christian American way of life. The citizens of America prefer the way of freedom. They are beginning to resist the encroachments upon liberty that come from the bureaucratic cells in Washington, D.C. We must stand firm and fearless as the beacon light to guide our nation up the right road."

The Christian Nationalist Party of Missouri hopes to be able to take a special bus load of delegates to the Convention. Everyone interested in joining this delegation is urged to contact Don Lohbeck, P. O. Box D-4, St. Louis 1, Mo., as quickly as possible. Round trip bus fare on this special bus will be only \$10.00 per person. Comfortable hotel accommodations can be arranged for from \$1.00 to \$10.00 per day.

### YOU CAN HELP!

THE CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST PARTY is now a fact!

For the first time in many years the American voter is able to cast his vote AGAINST the destroyers of our nation. For the first time the voter can cast his vote FOR his faith, his race, his nation.

To conduct an active campaign takes money. This money must come from you. Helping the Christian Nationalist Party is the best way that you can help yourself.

Send your contributions to: Christian Nationalist Party, 1533 S. Grand Ave., St. Louis 4, Mo.

During the "War Crimes" trials in Germany a young Jewess appeared as a witness against the German, Kramer, the so-called "Beast of Belsen." She was asked, "Did your husband die at Auschwitz?"

Her reply was: "Yes! We all died at Auschwitz!"

## HARRY'S "TEA" PARTY

ON his recent trip to St. Louis Harry Truman was regally entertained by August Busch of the Anheuser-Busch Brewery. The affair was called a tea party.

Among the guests present were all public officials and political parasites of both old political parties who "just had to be seen" in the company of the President.

Twelve bartenders were kept busy serving \$8,000.00 worth of whiskey and champagne. This does not include food served — nor does it include the tremendous amounts of beer furnished "on the cuff."

In these days of political and administrative corruption such Raccanalian revels have become

common. But, we remember the account of a similar feast that was interrupted by the appearance of a hand which wrote:

"God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

I am, at present, a teacher in Minnesota schools. Recently we teachers received a notice that the United States Supreme Court had ruled it unconstitutional to mention religion in school. In fact, I personally got into trouble (as did my school board and most of the parents) because I allowed my children to read the Bible in their free time in school, after they had finished with all their work.

Our state outline calls for present day religion to our children. What can we teachers do?

We are supposed to teach religion. But, right here in our own country, we can have our teaching certificates revoked and be fined, if we let the children read the Bible. Mr. Ferguson, of the St. Paul Department

of Education, said that to read the Bible is unconstitutional.

I pray that Christian people will unite and do something before it is too late. I. H., Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I have a Winchester and can still use it, and will gladly help you "clean house."

with admiration P. T. Missouri

Dear Sir:

I am White, Christian, 21 years of age, and interested in what little I have heard of your party. I read about your organization in the May 1st issue of ATTACK which I received at the State's Rights Convention in Jackson, Mississippi.

### LIGHTS OUT

On June 27th the following editorial appeared in the Pulitzer owned shopper's guide called the St. Louis Post-Dispatch:

Watching the armies mobilize in 1914, Sir Edward Grey said: "One by one, the lights are going out in Europe."

Watching the demagogues defeat the liberals in 1933, one can only say: "One by one, the lights are going out in the South."

Only the red lights, Mr. Pulitzer. Only the red lights.

## MONGRELIZERS RUN WILD IN MISSOURI

Mail Race for Black Votes Paves Way for National Destruction.

POLITICIANS, educators, judges, agitators and corruptionists have joined forces in a mad campaign to corral the black vote for their parties in the coming Missouri election. Never since the days of the carpet bagger and the scalawag has there been such a hysteria of nigrication and mongrel glorification as has been witnessed in the past several weeks.

It is not a foolish statement that "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." If we had been vigilant in America we would have resisted the beginnings of this race mixing campaign. Having failed to resist these beginnings we now must fight a monster that may, perhaps, overwhelm us.

There comes a time when White Christian Americans must say "We will yield no further. Beyond this point we shall not go." And, unless we are willing to surrender the racial purity of our children, unless we are ready to allow the disintegration of our nation, that point has now arrived.

Circuit Judge Sam C. Blair recently ruled, at Jefferson City, that "regardless of state law" negroes must be admitted to all state supported schools of higher learning.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat, in a drooling editorial, dared to stand against the white race by saying,

Elimination of racial lines in tax-supported colleges and universities has been a gradual process. But it is taking place, as certainly it should in conformity with democratic principles, fairness and plain economy of school administration. For many years non-segregation in Southern institutions of learning has been common and accepted. The same will be true everywhere before long, and a few generations hence the "issue" will be forgotten.

The temper of the American people is rising. A few years hence it will not be race-mixing but complete segregation that will be accepted. The mass of our citizenry is as opposed to mongrelization as they are to mixing with dogs or cattle. The negro, excepting where he succumbs to the sly promises carelessly tossed out by the politicians, is opposed to race-mixing. The alternative to segregation is not race-mixing — the only alternative to complete separation of the races is a violent upheaval against the corruptionists, the dividers and the agitators.

The dumb white politicians of the old political parties have convinced themselves that to win elections they must control the black vote. As a result they conspire the white man to a living hell without concern. But now there is a new party — dedicated to never campaigning for a single black ballot — a party that is organizing to be the white man's party.

Our one last chance is the ballot. Every white man, when he votes in November, should remember that he is held in scorn and contempt by the old parties. Cast your vote for your own well

## CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST CANDIDATES



Shown at left are the candidates of the Christian Nationalist Party of Missouri for the coming November election. From left to right, they are: Don Lohbeck, City Collector; J. Morrell Intaglietta, Congress, 12th District; Edward Abshire, Congress, 13th District; and Hamilton Thornton, head of the Party, is seated.

## CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST PARTY ON BALLOT

(Continued from page 1)

City Collector Don Lohbeck, Congress, 11th District; J. Morrell Intaglietta, Congress, 12th District; Edward Abshire, Congress, 13th District.

Upon receiving official confirmation of the certification of its candidates the following statement was released by party officials:

"The Christian Nationalist Party of Missouri is organized as the political expression of the will of the people of Missouri. We intend to conduct our campaign on the vital issues that concern the continued well being of the American people. These issues are:

1. Segregation of the black and white races.
  2. Repeal of the 16th Amendment.
  3. Outlawing of the Communist Party.
  4. States Rights.
- "The entrance of Christian Nationalist candidates into the political field will end the disgraceful period of American politics in which candidates for high public office refused to discuss the basic issues."

Immediately following the August 1 primary election the Christian

Nationalist Party will begin an intense campaign that will reach into every Ward in St. Louis and into every County in Missouri.

### THEY MEAN IT

Following the decision by Circuit Judge Sam C. Blair to admit blacks into all state supported schools, the following editorial appeared in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat:

"For many years non-segregation in Southern institutions of learning has been common and accepted. The same will be true everywhere before long, and a few generations hence the 'issue' will be forgotten."

In a personal interview Louis Thornton, head of the Globe-Democrat editorial staff, said:

"Hamilton Thornton wrote the editorial under my direction. It represents the consensus of opinion among our editorial staff."

fare -- for the security of your children -- vote as a white man -- vote the Christian Nationalist Party ticket!

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"Smith opened his address by pointing out that he was not connected with any political party, but was under sponsorship of the Christian Nationalist Crusade. In these opening remarks he mentioned that he had Dr. Claude E. Hill, Pastor of the First Christian Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as his guest at dinner Sunday night. He also asked that those who opposed him behave themselves and they would not have any trouble. However, if they acted otherwise they would be helped from the auditorium.

"Smith began his address by declaring Americans were unable to understand the Oriental intrigue that is being conducted by Marxists throughout the world. He said in the United States the greatest danger lies in the professors and teachers who are being produced at Harvard, Columbia, and Chicago Universities to teach our children.

"The first blast at a personality was leveled at Eddie Cantor who performed at Convention Hall, Sunday, October 22, 1950, the night before Smith spoke. 'You thought you were coming to hear a comedian, but actually you came to hear the most shrewd Pro-Marxist in the United States.' He cited his (Smith's) investigation into Hollywood, declaring, 'Motion pictures, radio, and TV are packed with Communists and fellow-travelers.' Smith outlined how Cantor is linked with the Communist movement; how Cantor was at the home of Charlie Chaplin in 1945 when a letter was written and cabled to Joseph Stalin. He said the letter stated that the time the United States recognized the U.S.S.R. was the first step to new horizons for the world. Smith said this cablegram was signed by Chaplin, Cantor, Olivia De Havilland, John Garfield, Rita Hayworth, Orson Wells, and several other leading Hollywood figures. Smith named seventeen in all. 'The average American just can't keep up with the city slicking game of the Marxists,' he commented.

"Smith then made his first reference to the local newspapers, namely, The Tulsa World and The Tulsa Tribune. He said neither paper had the courage

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to print his statements. 'Do you know', he said, 'that 99% of the whites in Tulsa do not want negroes mixing with whites in schools?' He then said he was not making anti-Semitic remarks, but said, 'I don't want a bunch of Zionists to rule the country or Americans to lose racial self-respect.'

✓ "He turned again to Hollywood, telling of a picket line that was led by Cantor and Edward G. Robinson when he was scheduled to speak in a High School Auditorium. He said the picket line, which he called 'a lynch mob', contained 20,000 Communists or sympathizers. He said this proved Robinson and Cantor are in the orbit of Stalin propaganda. He then turned to his wife who was on the stage and asked, 'Who was the little wheezy fellow who received a medal from the Young Communist League in the mid-1940's when he declared he was going to run me (Smith) out of the country?' He was referring to Frank Sinatra whom Smith said received the medal as 'Young Man of the Year.'

"Smith then began his discourse on the 'Roosevelt Treason', but first he mentioned his recent trip to San Francisco where he learned that little school children had to wear tags in order that they might be identified in the event of an atom bombing. Smith then declared that his enemies were popular, naming Walter Winchell, Olivia DeHaviland, Frank Sinatra and others. He then intimated men like himself were unpopular, and in the same vein mentioned United States Senator Joseph McCarthy. He then said he was going to give a birdseye view of several events. He began outlining the connection between England's Socialism and Communism. Discussing the European situation he said, 'France, Italy and Germany are strongholds of Communism.' He said the British economic leaders were students of Harold Laski, British Socialist Leader who died recently. He said Laski was a bosom buddy of Marxism. He continued by saying America was closely linked with the Socialistic-Communitic movement since Felix Frankfurter, U.S. Supreme Court Justice, was a Jew and Marxist advocate. He said the Justice and any President who allowed him to sit on the bench should be impeached.

"Smith declared FDR as a villian, explaining why he continued to pick on a man that was dead, 'His ghosts are running for office across the nation,' Smith laughed. 'Any person with a mature mind, a student of history who has studied his history, and who says FDR was honest, hasn't caught up on his studies,' Smith said.

"He then began his discourse on Eleanor Roosevelt. 'The only good thing I can say about Eleanor is that she gave her old gold teeth to the Elks Lodge,' Smith said. 'She has done more to hurt the United States than

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all the Communists in the nation, because she has invaded the sanctuary of the white family.' He then linked Eleanor with Paul Robeson, the negro singer and admitted Communist. 'She is a bad old girl,' he added. He said Eleanor has repeatedly entertained Communists at the White House.

"Smith then turned to the United Nations, declaring 'this country needs no new flag.' (He was referring to the raising of a United Nations flag the following day over the Tulsa County Courthouse.) He said, 'Stalin owns a portion of that flag, and I want no part of the flag as long as Stalin is a member of the United Nations.'

"He made his first statement in regard to the Roosevelt Treason by declaring that Henry Morgenthau, former Secretary of the Treasury, gave the Russians original plates of U.S. Currency in order that the Russians might print U.S. Currency. He said this was done at Roosevelt's command. 'These plates,' he said, 'produced \$12,000,000,000 of U.S. Currency. Jew money traders obtained this money and came to the United States buying the syndicates.'

"In a second phase of the Roosevelt Treason, Smith referred to the refusal of the United States to give Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek what Smith said was enough munitions to arm 1,000 men at the close of World War II. He said the United States also refused to give Chiang Kai-Shek munitions captured from Germany. He intimated Chiang Kai-Shek would have fought the Reds in Korea with the guns and equipment we refused him, but gave to the Russians. General George Marshall, former Secretary of State, he said was a well-trained Roosevelt aide, who commented, 'I just disarmed 29 Chinese divisions by refusing to hand Chiang Kai-Shek those weapons when I signed the measure refusing the munitions.' In the same vein Smith said Marshall, at Roosevelt's orders, stopped a convoy of weapons being sent to China and ordered the weapons dumped in the ocean. He declared a youth came to him at a recent meeting and said he helped push one of those \$200,000 tanks into the water.

Ref "The third phase of the Roosevelt Treason, Smith said, was the Yalta Conference; to which Chiang Kai-Shek was not invited. In this instance the former President took with him a super-expert, Alger Hiss, to advise him on the Far East. At this meeting Roosevelt agreed to give Stalin the Orient. He added this decision was made with the advice of Hiss, whom Smith tagged the Number One Traitor of American History, because he gave secret Government information to the Reds. He then diverted somewhat from his thesis of the Roosevelt Treason to mention that L. Burt Thomas, Utah Senator and head of the Senate Military Affairs Committee was Master of Ceremonies at the Communist dinner at which funds were raised

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to finance the leading Red organ in this country. (He mentioned a publication other than the Daily Worker).

"Smith again turned to the local newspaper scene declaring N. G. Benthorne, Editor of the Tulsa Daily World is not a Communist, but a good American. 'Mr. Richard Lloyd Jones, Publisher of the Tulsa Tribune, also is not a Communist, but a good American. But neither the World nor the Tribune will print my speech tomorrow, because they are both afraid of the Jews.' He said one paper has declared the only time they will quote him is when he dies. He referred to the papers, their editors, and backers, as cowards who are afraid to print the truth as he spoke it, but someone must let these things be known, and that is what I have dedicated my life to, he said.

"He then turned to the Truman-McArthur meeting at Wake. He said McArthur had forgotten more about the Orient than all the politicians would ever know. 'Truman went to Wake to keep McArthur from returning to this country before the elections and telling people what is going on,' he said. He referred to the recent gagging of McArthur when he was asked to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention; indicating McArthur was going to reveal some top secrets.

"Again, he attacked the United Nations, declaring it was a plot to destroy the Americans and a show run by the Reds. He said, 'Harry Truman is a little guy who is playing the piano downstairs and doesn't know what is going on upstairs'. He said he felt sorry for Truman, whom he thought was a man who would have signed a recent anti-Communist law rather than veto the law.

"He then continued his upbraiding of Roosevelt and gave his final step in the Roosevelt plot. He said David Lillenthal was a Jew New Dealer, and a member of two Red organizations five years before he became Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission. He said Lillenthal got two of his Jew Buddies on the Atomic Energy Commission (One man he referred to was Professor Oppenheimer from the University of Indiana, and a Jewish educator from the University of Chicago).

"He outlined how Dr. Fuchs, the British scientist, gave information the Reds needed from Los Alamos. Smith said Dr. Fuchs was freed from a Canadian prison on the recommendation of Dr. Albert Einstein. Also, 'Dr. Albert Einstein is one of Stalin's seven best friends in America,' Smith said.

"Smith then said he knew why Harry Truman could not have his way. He

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said the United States Government is not run by the President and Congress, but by three men, all Jews, who compose a little Government about which we never hear. He said these three men are: No. 1 - David Lillenthal. No. 2 - Felix Frankfurter. No. 3 - Herbert Lehmann, United States Senator from New York.

20 "During his address Smith also made reference to Dean Acheson, Secretary of State. He said Acheson was an associate of Alger Hiss, and said Mrs. Acheson was Chairman of a Committee that collected bond and lawyer money for Hiss. He made passing remarks that would lead the audience to believe he (Acheson) was a right hand assistant to Joseph Stalin.

"In closing Smith said, 'There is an immediate danger of Communistic rule when the newspapers won't print what I have said tonight.' He made a few brief remarks concerning his movement and what it desires. He mentioned he wanted a Government founded on patriotism and Christianity, with room for the unbelievers, but he did not elaborate.

"During his address he frequently referred to how he had been smeared, but would rather die than not be heard. He also said that he is a Crusader, who is unpopular because he speaks the truth, and that he is an 'old-fashioned American'.

"Smith closed with his plea for funds using an angle about an Irishman in Dublin, Ireland who had volunteered to mail subscribers a copy of a recent Chicago Tribune article that exposes Communism in the Federal Government. He said all copies of the paper have been destroyed, but he has two copies and photostats of the paper, but could not distribute the photostats as he has been threatened. He also promised 18 other pieces of literature to those making \$10 monthly pledges; a smaller amount of literature for a \$5 pledge; and a still less amount of literature for a \$1 pledge.

"This meeting was attended by approximately 700 people and possibly 12 or 15 Negroes. The meeting was orderly and no incidents or disturbances occurred."

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
**Washington, D. C.**  
**March 29, 1945**

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: DONALD HISS  
SECURITY MATTER (C)

You will recall that Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department recently requested through the Liaison Section that we furnish information concerning Alger and Donald Hiss. A memorandum on Alger Hiss was submitted to you on March 26, 1945, for transmission to the State Department by a member of the Liaison Section.

Attached hereto is a memorandum on Donald Hiss, brother of Alger. It is suggested that this memorandum be delivered personally to Mr. Lyon by a member of the Liaison Section.

Attachment

Respectfully,

*J. C. Strickland*  
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This source further stated that Alger and Donald Hiss were members of the Communist underground organization.

An acquaintance of Alger and Donald Hiss has reportedly stated that at one time he heard Alger and Donald Hiss were classed as "fellow travelers," but that he was not aware of the basis of this allegation. (101-2000-5)

# Msgr. Sheen Giving Instructions In Catholicism to Donald Hiss

Donald Hiss, brother of Alger Hiss, convicted perjurer spy, is receiving instructions in the Catholic church from the Right Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, it was learned yesterday.

An official of Catholic university said Hiss has been receiving instructions for some months. However, he was not certain Hiss will become a convert.

Sheen has brought many converts into the church. Among them were the late Heywood

Brown, and Clare Booth Luce, former representative and wife of Henry Luce, publisher.

Donald Hiss is a member of the law firm of Acheson, Rublee, Burling, O'Brian and Shorb, the former law firm of Secretary of State Acheson, firm friend of Alger.

Donald, like his brother Alger, is an Episcopalian. Both were in the State department. Donald was once chief of a bureau and higher in rank than his brother. Alger passed him by to become assistant secretary of state.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Troy, N. Y.  
June 8, 1951.

Dear WW:

Please spare us the sob stuff about Donald Hiss and family suffering for brother Alger's sins! Donald incurred plenty of bad odor entirely on his own account, by reason of his own smelly Red associations, and his willingness to take Red money for legal work in the interests of the Soviet Slave State in Poland. (Your column June 7 - Albany Times-Union)

There is strong suspicion that Donald may have been a member of the Harold Ware cell -- at any rate, he played around with members of that select group, - and never felt any nausea over helping to sell the Poles down the river, for money!

Too bad Donald didn't take into account in those days, just how all this was going to look to his countrymen when they finally got their eyes opened! He asked for it, Walter, and he can't blame it all on Alger, either! And nobody knows this any better than WW!

Maybe it would have been objective reporting, (and therefore "dull") for WW to have accompanied his note about Donald's present discomfiture with a few of the foregoing facts in the picture! Presumably it is better to be "bright" though one-sided, than "dull" and "objective"! (Column June 5).

Yours for a little more of that "dull" reporting,  
please!

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Alden	
Mr. Belmont	
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Mr. Nease	
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : C. E. Hennrich

FROM : F. L. Jones

SUBJECT: DONALD HISS, was.  
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DATE: October 10, 1951

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PURPOSE

Donald Hiss is the brother of Alger Hiss.

Whittaker Chambers mentioned Donald Hiss during his lengthy interview with New York agents in early 1949. He named him as a member of the CP underground in 1934-1938 in Washington, D. C., but definitely stated that he never received any State Department documents from Donald Hiss nor did he have any knowledge of Donald Hiss furnishing any documents or information to anyone else.

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Questionnaire, included among the members of his family his wife ~~CATHERINE CLIFFE~~ ~~MISS~~, a son BOSLBY, born November 29, 1941, his mother living in Baltimore, Maryland, a brother ~~ALGER~~, living 3415 Volta Place, Washington, D. C., and a sister ~~ANNA~~ (last name not listed), age 50, residing 1503 West 32nd Street, Austin, Texas. He indicated that his wife had worked for Hanna Inc., Baltimore, Maryland, selling linen in Baltimore, New York, and Philadelphia.

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said that he worked with ALGER HISS before becoming acquainted with DONALD HISS. He considered the latter more volatile than ALGER HISS and more likely to express (and usually did) what was on his mind. He said that

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stated, of the group of persons mentioned by CHAMBERS in the ALGER HISS Testimony, he himself knew of HENRY-COLLINS because of the necessity for trying to clear certain papers through the NRA where COLLINS worked.

The names of other members of the Ware Group were mentioned, and he said they meant nothing to him except names which came up in the HISS Trial.

[REDACTED] commented that DONALD HISS was not as smooth or diplomatic as ALGER HISS. He said he did not know if the brothers were closely associated with one another but there was no outward evidence to him that DONALD HISS dominated his brother.

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advised that never, at any time, had he heard rumors or reports to link the HISS brothers with subversive activities or subversive associations. He stated the famous "List" did not come to his attention. He meant by this, the names provided by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS to ADOLF BERLE in 1939, which included the HISS brothers.

advised that he was not acquainted with any of the WARE Group mentioned in the testimony of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He likewise had no knowledge as to whether DONALD HISS knew any of them. He said that in makeup of character, DONALD HISS was a more glib person and ALGER HISS the more brilliant of the two brothers. The latter was in the Far Eastern Division, and was pushed by STEPTINIUS and was not so well known to him as DONALD.

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— said that he was very surprised when the ALGER HISS case came to trial as there was no indication of disloyalty on the part of either brother.

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stated that, although he knew of DONALD HISS and ALGER HISS as did almost anybody in the State Department, he certainly was not personally acquainted with DONALD HISS and would not be in a position to provide any information concerning him.

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claimed he knew ALGER HISS but not very closely. He did not think the two brothers were close to one another because their wives did not get along very well. As an explanation, he said Mrs. DONALD HISS, nee JONES, was a society girl from a good Baltimore family while Mrs. ALGER HISS was a career girl. MILLER said he had a sincere admiration for Mrs. CATHERINE HISS and considers her "just as fine a person as her husband." He stated that the ALGER HISS trial visibly affected and depressed DONALD HISS but that he is bearing up very well and doing a good job in the law firm of Covington and Burling according to his understanding. He said HISS turned to the private law practice because of his shattered health.

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advised he was extremely interested in the ALGER HISS Trial as he knew ALGER casually and he made it a point to attend one of the public sessions of that trial. He said he would be astounded if any of the allegations were true with regard to DONALD HISS's being involved in any un-American activity.

stated he saw ALGER HISS only once other than brief social meetings and this was to determine whether he wanted to give up his job and become connected with the United Nations. At the time ALGER HISS held a job of high importance in the United Nations picture but HISS intimated to him he was not going to stay in that job and that should talk to his successor rather than to him. related he did not feel this was a satisfactory interview with HISS looking at it from his own viewpoint because he rather expected ALGER HISS to be helpful.

He said that ABE, FERLO, and KRAMER were not known to him until their names arose in the HISS Trial.

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In prefacing his remarks stated that everything knew of DONALD HISS would be favorable. He alluded to the ALGER HISS trial. This trial and its revelations came as a distinct shock to him since in all his contact with DONALD HISS there was nothing remotely suggesting that he was a Communist.

He believed this was a year or two before the ALGER HISS Trial because it stuck in his mind when the trial came about later on.

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declared he knew ALGER HISS but very old. He had never seen the two brothers together that he could recall. He had no impression that ALGER HISS controlled or dominated his brother.

his thought was in ALGER's law class at Harvard University. FRESSMAN

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he had never become acquainted with ALGER HISS or any other members of DONALD HISS's family. frequently had dinners with DONALD HISS but that stated that he

that even during these contacts DONALD HISS was obviously upset over his brother's conviction in New York explained

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He said DONALD HISS apparently was not closely tied to his brother, ALGER, and partly the reason was due to friction between the respective wives. He emphatically believed ~~ALGER HISS~~ had little influence with his brother, as the latter was a person of definite convictions of his own. He stated he would trust DONALD HISS to almost any extent, while ALGER was inscrutable and reminded him of a "Budda." He recalled that he saw ALGER HISS at DONALD's home on only one occasion out of the numerous times he was there. A man named CLARK FOREMAN was with ALGER HISS on this occasion, which he believed was in 1944.

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He said that since the ALGER HISS trial and allegations regarding DONALD HISS, he had given the matter a great deal of thought, but could not put his finger on anything to indicate that HISS was not 100 per cent loyal.

stated that he was in ALGER HISS's law class at Harvard, and therefore, knew of LEE PRESSMAN. He said he was not familiar with whether DONALD HISS knew LEE PRESSMAN or other members of the so-called "Ware Group" as described by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

advised he first knew ALGER HISS before he became acquainted with DONALD HISS, since he and ALGER were both on the Law Review Staff at Harvard Law School.

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had the impression that ALGER HISS and his brother were not close to one another, but concluded he was not in the best position to have reached such an impression. ✓

related that when the case concerning ALGER HISS came before the public, he felt DONALD HISS was not connected in any way with the activities charged to the HISS brothers. He said he did not feel the same way about ALGER HISS, whom he had met through DONALD, for he felt ALGER was a weaker individual and there was an unusual secretive side to him so that no one could get very close to him.

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                    remarked he and other friends noted it was strange  
that none of them were ever invited to ALGER's home and never saw ALGER  
or his wife at DONALD HISS's house.

                    According to                      ALGER HISS was a member of the National  
Lawyers Guild, to the best of his recollection, but he was positive  
DONALD HISS never joined that group.

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He is reported to have further stated that ALGER HISS, presently under indictment at New York City in connection with testimony before a Federal Grand Jury at New York City and whose name has been identified in connection with information provided by JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS involving the removal of government documents, was a Harvard man with whom he was sympathetic.

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on 3-31-54, during which the employee during an interview conducted  
the guilt of Alger Hiss the employee expressed his doubts concerning

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flect that  
1949, by Special Agent  
Field Office in connection with the JAY DAVID WHITTAKER  
CHAMBERS case concerning any knowledge he might have of  
ALGER HISS or of CHAMBERS. advised at that time  
that he had attended Harvard and Johns Hopkins Universi-  
ties with ALGER HISS but was not closely associated with  
him. He likewise advised he was altogether unacquainted  
with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. re-  
was interviewed February 11,  
of the Washington

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: November 16, 1953

FROM : *M. D. Wopesh*SUBJECT: "MEET THE PRESS" Program  
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SYNOPSIS

"Meet The Press" program, November 15, 1953, had as its guest T. Lamar Caudle, introduced as Head of Criminal Division, Department of Justice, 1945-1947, one of the individuals in the Department who received FBI reports on Harry Dexter White. Lawrence Spivak, moderator, and guests on panel were Ed Follard, Washington Post; Ned Brooks, Richard Wilson and Mr. Brandt. Caudle questioned as to whether he was consulted regarding allegation that White was promoted to keep in Government. Answered negative but stated could have been such an arrangement. Questioned in detail concerning report but did not recall details; did recall report came from Bureau to him by special messenger and he was alarmed and felt something should be done. Explained Bureau being a fact-finding agency which only presented facts and does not make recommendations or evaluations. Also mentioned briefly how informants are handled in the reports. With regard to initial report he received, stated he wanted to be sure that it got to the President and immediately attempted to contact Attorney General Tom Clark who was at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore for physical; but Caudle got report to him that afternoon. Was questioned regarding White not being indicted by Grand Jury and explained indictment would have been hard to get. Also questioned as to whether Director operated on his own or under Department direction. State Director operated on his own; but that Department frequently made suggestions or recommendations if necessary. Questioning then drifted away from White case and Caudle was questioned concerning Hiss case and Amerasia case but gave no pertinent answers. Also questioned as to whether the Attorney General ever put pressure on him concerning handling of investigations and he answered emphatically no.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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DETAILS

T. Lamar Caudle was guest on "Meet The Press" program on November 15, 1953. He was introduced to the television audience as the Head of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice from 1945 to 1947, and the man to whom the FBI report on White initially came to in the Department.

Lawrence Spivak was moderator and the guests who did the interrogation were Ed Folliard, Ned Brooks, Richard Wilson and Mr. Brandt.

The first question put to Mr. Caudle was that there were rumors that White had been purposely promoted to keep him in Government to get further evidence on his activities. Caudle was asked if he was ever consulted regarding such an arrangement. He stated no, although there could have been such an arrangement. He enlarged upon this by stating that espionage investigations are kept so secret that it was possible that in such an investigation he would never know what was done.

He was asked whether or not the report obtained said White was a spy or engaged in spying. Caudle stated he did not recall, that the reports came to him by special messenger, he recalled that the contents alarmed him and he knew that if the information contained in it were true, something should be done about it.

Folliard of the Washington Post then stated that the Washington Post had been told by a competent person that the report did not mention spying, that Attorney General Brownell had just inserted this in the facts. To this question Caudle explained that the FBI is a fact-finding agency, that they only present the facts and you draw your own conclusions. In regard to an additional question as to whether the FBI made any recommendations or evaluations, he again explained that the FBI is a fact-finding agency and never makes recommendations.

Numerous questions were then put to him as to the source of the material, and he explained briefly the FBI's procedure of not identifying informants other than to state that they are reliable or not. He was then asked as to whether or not the report referred to any Russians. He stated he couldn't recall although he did recall that names were mentioned in the report.

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He stated the report did deal with the passing of information and if true was a severe condemnation of Harry Dexter White. He said he was alarmed when he read it and wanted to be sure it got to the President. He said he did not know whether Attorney General Clark had gotten a copy and so he immediately called him only to find out that Clark was at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore for a physical. Caudle said he called Clark there and Clark told him he would be back that afternoon. Caudle said he gave the report to Clark that same afternoon but could not ever recall discussing it with him later. He said the report to him was a "red flag" to do something about it, and there was nothing in the report adequate to present to a Grand Jury; but if the statements in it were true, White was not fit for public office.

Numerous questions were then put to him regarding the fact that White had not been indicted by a Grand Jury. He explained that it would have been very hard for the FBI to get an indictment as they would have to have proof that White had actually delivered classified information and would have to have witnesses.

He was asked if the Director operated on his own or under the Attorney General's direction. He stated that Mr. Hoover operated on his own but the Department frequently gave suggestions or recommendations if they thought additional investigation was necessary in a case.

The questions drifted away from the White case and Folliard of the Washington Post asked him, Caudle, if he ever recalled reading reports concerning Alger Hiss when he was head of the Criminal Division. Caudle said he could not recall any report dealing exclusively with Hiss; but did recall his name in some of the reports but couldn't remember exactly what they pertained to. He was then asked his connection with the Amerasia case. Caudle said he had no connection with it as the indictments had already been returned when he took office.

Numerous questions were put to him concerning whether or not Attorney General Clark had ever brought any pressure to bear on him to stop or delay any investigations. Caudle emphatically said no, that Clark never made any efforts to interfere with his activities or prosecution of a case.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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FOSS was a speaker at a meeting held August 8, 1946, at the Mother A M E Zion Church, Harlem, New York, at which Congressman ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Jr. and ALGER HISS were co-chairmen. reported that

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It is noted that ALGER HISS has been convicted of perjury  
for false testimony given before the Grand Jury, New York City.

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H. MISCELLANEOUS CONTACTS OF MILLER

On December 30, 1946, Confidential Informants T-14 and T-15, of known reliability, observed ROBERT T. MILLER, III, enter Room 164 of the State Department at 3:34 P.M. This room was the office of ALGER HISS. MILLER departed at 4:03 P.M.

It should be noted that ALGER HISS was convicted of perjury in the Southern District of New York in connection with false testimony given by him before the HCUA relative to Communist Party membership on his part.

On August 5, 1948, ALGER HISS testified before the HCUA. He stated in part that he knew a Mr. MILLER at the Department of State officially, when asked if he knew ROBERT T. MILLER. HISS continued by stating there

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was a Mr. MILLER in the Department of State who was known as an Information Officer. (p. 655)

Confidential Informant T-11 advised that ROBERT T. MILLER thanked ALGER HISS on March 7, 1947 for having placed MILLER in contact with one BENNET (ph) of New York City, and for allowing MILLER to use HISS' name. From the ensuing conversation, this Informant gathered that MILLER was to see BENNET (ph) about a job with the new organization which HISS described as having to do with the distribution of documentary and informational material in the United Nations, of the U.S. Foreign Policy in general

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TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd  
FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont  
SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST  
JANUARY 27, 1952

DATE: January 28, 1952

Walter Winchell in his broadcast on Sunday evening, January 27, 1952, included the following items of possible interest to the Bureau:

WINCHELL:

The Washington Ticker: Federal corridor opinion is that Alger Hiss will not get a new trial.

COMMENT:

As you are aware, a motion for a new trial has been made by Attorney Chester T. Lane for Alger Hiss on the basis of new evidence. A hearing on this motion has been set for February 4, 1952, before U. S. District Judge Henry W. Goddard in New York.

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Subject, on April 5, 1949, pursuant to Bureau authority granted March 22, 1949, was interviewed by the writer and Special Agent EDWARD F. HUDAER concerning her knowledge of either ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. At this time she advised that she had been employed in Washington, D. C. by the Government from approximately 1932 until 1936, with the Labor Advisory Board. It was while so employed that she made the acquaintance of JOHN ABT, ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN, VICTOR PERLO, NATHAN WITT, HENRY HILL COLLINS, and CHARLES KRAMER. It is noted that all of the above persons were identified by either or both ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in their testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities during the Summer of 1948, as being members of the elite Communist Government Group or as having been engaged in a Soviet Espionage Conspiracy on behalf of the Soviet Union during the late 1930s and early 1940s. [REDACTED] emphasized that her friendship with the above individuals was based on personal contact at her place of employment, the Labor Advisory Board of the National Recovery Administration, and from contact with these individuals at Union meetings which were held in the homes of various members. She denied that these Union meetings were actually Communist Party meetings. While polite at all times during the interview, [REDACTED] was very uncooperative.

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T-28 recalled that in the spring of 1945 when preparations were being made for the United Nations Conference in San Francisco, California, Office of Strategic Services officials were notified by the Presentation Branch that the services of that branch had been requested by the State Department to handle all presentation and photographic work at the Conference at San Francisco. This choice of employees of the Presentation Branch for such work was not, Informant said, at the suggestion of the Office of Strategic Services, and that inquiry by the Office of Strategic Services disclosed that the request for the services of the Presentation Branch at the United Nations Conference had been made by ALFRED HISS, then Assistant Undersecretary of the Department of State.

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mentioned above, also advised that in 1947 and 1948, HENRY HILL COLLINS was in frequent contact with ALGER HISS, CHARLES KRAMER and JOHN ABT. In testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities on Tuesday, August 3, 1948, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, admittedly a former member of the Communist Party, advised that the above-named men were members of

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the Communist Party whose objective was to infiltrate the Government of the United States to serve the purpose of the Soviet Government. In the same testimony WHITTAKER CHAMBERS advised that HENRY COLLINS was also a member of this group.

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The informant said that LYDIA LEE had contacted all the senators and officials on the NYE COMMITTEE at that time and that she undoubtedly had been acquainted with ALGER HISS, and had been very closely associated with Senator NYE.

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They said a man coming down from Washington, D. C., in a little while had the same political beliefs as did he. DE SOLA stated he believed the person they were talking about was also a Communist Party member. He advised that RINGE and THOMAS told him that the person coming from Washington that day was also an amateur ornithologist. DE SOLA advised that he, himself, was an ornithologist. Shortly thereafter, DE SOLA advised a man and woman drove up in a car in the presence of HARRY WHEELER, SALLY RINGE, and LAMAR TOWNS, and they were introduced as ALBERT HISS and PRISCILLA HISS. DE SOLA advised he remembered having a discussion with HISS about three hours that afternoon and during this discussion, DE SOLA discovered that ALBERT HISS had an extraordinary knowledge of ornithology.

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He advised he cannot recall meeting ALGER HISS at Accokeek or any where else.

Since RALPH DE SMA stated that ALGER HISS was introduced to him at Accokeek as an ornithologist, [redacted] was asked if he had met anyone at Accokeek who was an amateur ornithologist. [redacted] advised he recalled that Mr. [redacted] was interested in ornithology, and advised this is the only person he recalls of at Accokeek who had such an interest. [redacted] advised voluntarily the information that he had heard from Representative NIXON that HISS was an amateur ornithologist. [redacted] advised that if ALGER HISS had visited the farm at Accokeek, he probably would have conversed with Mr. [redacted] on ornithology.

She stated that she cannot recall ALGER HISS being a visitor at Accokeek, and cannot recall LEONORE THOMAS or SALLY RINGE as ever mentioning any acquaintanceship with ALGER HISS.

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advised that he was not sure whether this KRAUER was the same KRAUER that was mentioned in newspaper accounts concerning the JAMES HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN case.

advised that she is not acquainted with JAMES HISS, WHITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN, or WHITTAKER CHAMBERLAIN, and that if the HISS's were regular guests at "Long View," she would certainly have remembered them as stated she was acquainted with those guests who were present on six or more occasions.

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A picture of ALGER HISS was shown to \_\_\_\_\_ and he stated he could not say definitely that ALGER HISS was not a visitor at "Long View" during the time that THOMAS and RINGE occupied the premises, but he could not say that HISS was there. He stated that HISS's picture looked like a young man who could have been there, but he would not commit himself.

\_\_\_\_\_ advised she could not recall seeing ALGER HISS at "Long View". She stated she had a very poor memory in this regard and she did not want to say he was not there. She stated the same in regard to PRISCILLA HISS. She was shown a picture of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and she stated she never saw him before.

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in 1939, that he was not acquainted with ALGER HISS. He stated he was out of the country in 1937, and, therefore, was not in a position to know whether ALGER HISS visited "Long View".

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\_\_\_\_\_ categorically denied she had ever known ALGER \_\_\_\_\_  
HISS and PRISCILLA HISS and she stated to her knowledge, they had  
never been guests at Accokeek.

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J. EDWIN ... a deceased former ...  
and member of the Communist Party, who ... in a Communist  
underground conspiracy at Washington, D. C., and New York, N. Y.,  
on August 30, 1948, in a testimony before the House on Un-American  
Committee of the Second Session, 80th Congress, advised that HAT L.  
HARE, ALGER HISS, J. EDWIN ... VICTOR ...  
and CHARLES ... were members of an underground Communist cell in  
Washington, D. C., in the 1920's.

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ALGER HISS denied under oath on December 15, 1948, before the Federal Grand Jury of the Southern District of New York, that he passed Government documents to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. HISS was subsequently indicted for perjury and was convicted.

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You may recall that the receipt of the loyalty form on [redacted] was called to your attention and it was pointed out, among other things, that, according to [redacted] and [redacted] in 1946 he started a rumor that the Director of the FBI was not able or willing to look up the cases of Alger Hiss and Gurney Larn which had been submitted to the State Department;

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further related that, immediately following employee's trip to New York, where he had been subpoenaed by the federal grand jury in connection with the WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS case, employee had stated that his brother, was not involved at all. At the same time employee stated that the HISS case was nothing but political publicity for the advancement of certain individuals. Employee proclaimed complete confidence in the innocence of HISS.

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advised that had visited him in  
Washington, D. C. immediately following appearance before the  
grand jury in connection with the HISS-CHAMBERS case.

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Following her reading of the manuscript, which involved an insane person, the conversation turned to the HISS-CHAMBERS case.

states she cannot recall exactly how the subject turned to the HISS trial but she did recall that she was somewhat amazed to learn from employee that his brother had been subpoenaed in connection with the case.

stated that employee also advised her he had been called to New York, and she stated it was her impression he had been called as a result of his brother's acquaintance with either HISS or CHAMBERS.

stated that, during the discussion, employee commented that he had watched both men, CHAMBERS and HISS, for a period of two weeks and that it was his unbiased opinion that CHAMBERS is a "pathological liar". He stated further that one only needed to give CHAMBERS a small thread and he would "spin a long web".

indicated that throughout the discussion he expressed concern over his brother's implication in the case, but showed no apparent concern for himself being involved. Employee stated his brother had been harmed considerably as a result of the case and had in fact lost his employment in gained the impression that employee had no previous acquaintance with either HISS or CHAMBERS and that he had been called to New York merely because of his brother's acquaintance with either HISS or CHAMBERS.

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was somewhat familiar with the implication of the                      advised she  
the HISS case, and had been very much surprised when this implication       brothers in  
came to her knowledge.

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He related further that  
had never indicated that employee had been called as a  
witness to the federal grand jury which was investigating ALGER HISS  
and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. He stated up until this time he was not aware  
of any implication by employee or his brother in this case.

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... and she was very much surprised to learn of his and his brother's implication in the ALGER HISS-WHITTAKER CHAMBERS case.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The subject was interviewed by the writer and Special Agent JAMES T. HAVERTY on February 9, 1949, concerning his knowledge of ALGER HISS. The subject stated that he was acquainted with HISS but could furnish no information concerning him.

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Supervisor

Weyl was

also interviewed for a short period of time by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] of the Espionage Section in connection with Weyl's knowledge  
of Alger Hiss. The results of the interview of Weyl by Supervisor  
[REDACTED] will be set out in a separate memorandum being prepared  
by [REDACTED].

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Weyl said that he did join such a unit in the Communist Party and that Ware was the leader of the unit. Weyl recalled that the following individuals were also members of this unit and at various times attended Party meetings at which Weyl was also present:

~~Alger Hiss~~  
~~John Abt~~  
~~Henry Collins~~  
~~Victor Perlo~~

~~Lee Pressman~~  
~~Nathan Witt~~  
~~Charles Gramer (or Kramer)~~  
~~John Donovan~~

Weyl commented that he had no information concerning the affiliation of Donald Hiss or Harry White with the unit in Washington.

Weyl said that meetings were held at various places but the only location that he clearly recalled was the

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By letter dated November 7, 1949, the SAC at New York, advised that [REDACTED] a witness under subpoena to testify for the prosecution in the Alger Hiss perjury trial, advised that she had been contacted by Sylvia Weyl on behalf of her husband, Nathaniel Weyl, who was writing a book on Treason and desired to obtain information from her for this book.

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# White House Aide Accused As Ex-Red

BY WILLARD EDWARDS

Charges of communism in both the White House and the State department seized the Senate's attention yesterday. The twin developments:

1. Sen. McCarthy (R) of Wisconsin, in a Senate speech, revealed loyalty board files on Phil-  
leo Nash, 42, a \$17,500 adviser to President Truman, which showed that Nash had been accused of membership in the Communist party "in close contact with the Communist underground in Washington" and whose former home in Toronto, had been used by a Canadian spy ring in the early 40s as a rendezvous.

## Rosinger Testifies

2. The Senate internal security subcommittee heard Lawrence K. Rosinger, one of State Secretary Acheson's China policy advisers in 1949, refuse to answer the testimony of three previous witnesses that he was a Communist party member. Rosinger pleaded possible self-incrimination. He also refused to discuss his relationships with a number of individuals, in the government and out, on the ground that he might involve himself in trouble with the law.

Nash, McCarthy's White House target, succeeded David K. Niles as an assistant to the President in charge of advising on "minority problems."

He was a lecturer on anthropology at the University of Toronto from 1937 to 1941, then came to Washington as special assistant to the director of the domestic branch of the office of war information. He was assigned to the White House on June 7, 1941, from the OWI.

"The White House loyalty board cleared Nash some time ago," McCarthy declared. "Thereafter, the FBI conducted a thoro investigation. Ten separate reports were made and sent to the White House loyalty review board.

## Called Friend of Reds

"After the White House cleared Nash, the review board asked for a new hearing. Shortly thereafter, Donald Dawson (White House administrative assistant on personnel) called for the complete files which were sent to the White House and never have been returned to the review board."

The FBI reports, said McCarthy, reading from documents, said Nash had been a close friend and

close associate of one of the convicted Canadian Communists.

"During the early 40s," he continued, "parts of the Communist spy ring in Toronto were using his home as a rendezvous and some of them were living there. Nash was attending Communist meetings and had officially joined the Communist party. The reports also show that he had been in close contact with the Communist underground in Washington."

McCarthy said he "assumed" Mr. Truman had never seen the BIF reports. He suggested that the President call upon Dawson for the file and after reading it get rid of Nash.

From Nash in the White House came a denunciation of the charges as "a contemptible lie." He denied ever having been a Communist party member and blamed his sister's anti-McCarthy activities for the senator's blast.

The Senate subcommittee's questioning of Rosinger, 36, now a free-lance writer, was featured by his sparring with acting chairman Ferguson (R) of Michigan. At the end, Ferguson said pending legislation, compelling witnesses to testify before congressional committees by granting them immunity from future prosecution, must be approved quickly if the investigating processes are to continue.

Rosinger was confronted by subcommittee counsel Robert Morris with earlier testimony of William Cannipe, Karl Wittfogel and Louis Budenz that Rosinger had been a Communist party member and was known to them as such. He asked if he was now or ever had been a Communist.

"I respectfully decline to answer, relying on my privilege under the fifth amendment to the Constitution," he answered.

## Admits Knowing Some

Rosinger was asked concerning his relationships with persons identified as Communists before the subcommittee and with other persons not thus identified. He pleaded possible self-incrimination in refusing to answer questions about a number of persons, but freely conceded his acquaintance with others.

Among those about whom he refused to testify were Alger Hiss, State department official serving a five-year sentence for perjury to conceal espionage; Frederick V. Field, financial sponsor of Communist movements; Andrew Roth, a Navy lieutenant involved in the Amerasia espionage case of 1945; Julian Wadleigh, a State department officer who confessed espionage during the Hiss trial, and many others of lesser note.

The witness said he knew Ambassador Jessup only slightly. He at first denied knowing John S. Service, diplomat recently fired after a loyalty board hearing, but later admitted having met him once or twice.

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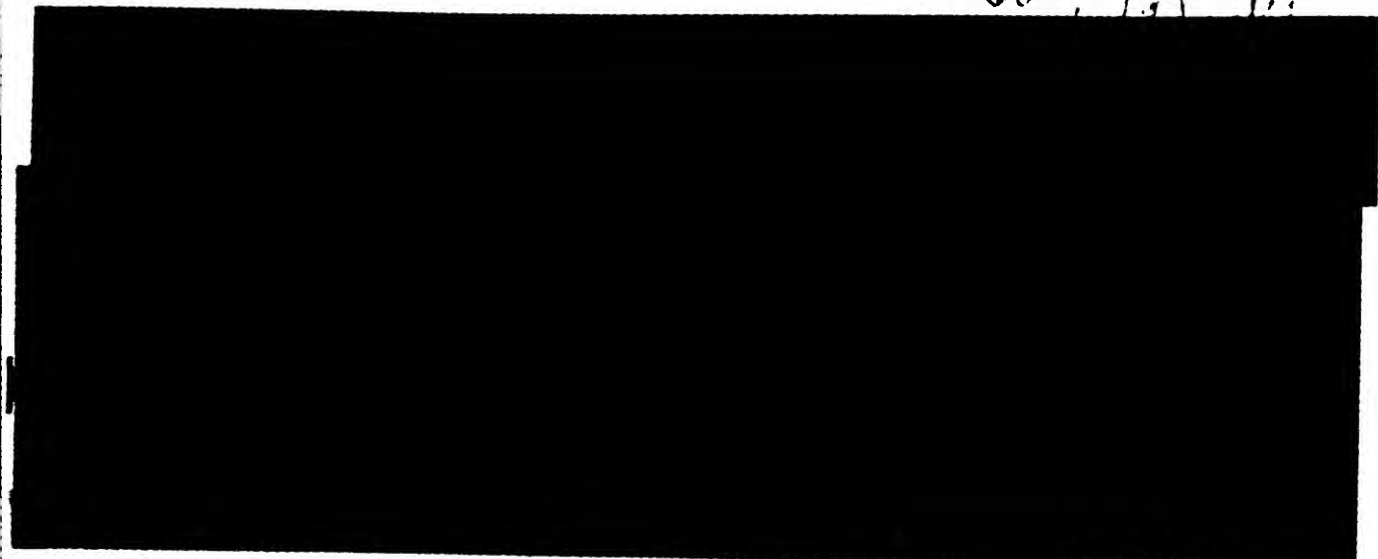
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SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL  
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JUNE 19, 1955

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Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_



Alger Hiss has agreed to make a tape recorded interview for another network on the Tenth Anniversary of the United Nations Charter some time between the 20th and 25th. Appearing with Alger Hiss will be a UN backer whose name is Clark Echelberger; he once testified for Alger Hiss as a character witness.

Comment:

By teletype 6-14-55 NYO supplied this information to Bureau. Disseminated to White House, State, Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General Rogers and Assistant Attorney General Tompkins on 6-17-55 upon instructions by the Director.

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Memorandum for Mr. Boardman

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NICHOLL SAID:

"New York City. There is a movement now underway to rehabilitate Alger Hiss with the public. It was given added impetus the other night following Federal Judge Keech's directed acquittal of Aldo Icardi. Icardi was acquitted of perjury before a Congressional committee. The theme of the drive to clean up Alger Hiss will be made by certain commentators and newspaper writers....Men who operate in the left field....They will tell you that Uncle Sam couldn't get Hiss on espionage, so he was railroaded, they will tell you, for perjury. The Hiss engagement to speak before the Princeton group is the starter.

The man behind the scenes is a deadly enemy -- a longtime deadly enemy -- of your FBI and John Edgar Hoover. A White House favorite when Mr. Truman was the President."

COMMENT:

Mr. Nichols advised that the individual referred to by Nichell is undoubtedly Mary Lowenthal who is the author of "The Federal Bureau of Investigation," a very anti-FBI publication. Lowenthal's anti-FBI activities and writings are well known to us.

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Reference is made to the case entitled "JAY DAVID WITTENBERG CHAMBERS, was; ALGER HISS - PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, INTERNAL SECURITY - R", Bureau File No. #74-1333. In the report of [REDACTED], dated January 21, 1949, at New York, it is noted that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, made available among others, a copy of a letter dated January 2, 1947 to BLACKWELL SMITH signed by HISS. A review of the above file in the New York Office also reflected that HISS and the applicant were simultaneously employed as attorneys by Cotton, Franklin, Wright and Gordon, 63 Wall Street, New York, in 1932 and 1933. In the report of [REDACTED], dated May 17, 1949, at New York, it is noted that SMITH was interviewed by [REDACTED] of the New York Office concerning ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN, a subject of the above case, and a former H.R.A. employee. At this time SMITH advised that he did not recall SILVERMAN, and stated that he was unable to furnish any information concerning him.

In connection with the above, the applicant's [REDACTED], who stated that he was a former attorney with the Criminal and Anti-Trust Divisions of the Department of Justice, advised that he knew of SMITH'S employment with Cotton, Franklin, Wright and Gordon at the same time HISS was also employed there. [REDACTED] stated that from SMITH'S comments during the recent HISS trial, he gathered that SMITH was surprised that HISS had apparently engaged in "such activities", and he quoted SMITH as saying, "I certainly misjudged him", i.e. HISS. [REDACTED] further volunteered the information that "despite SMITH'S high position in New Deal circles, he was strictly not a member of any questionable groups; he is conservative and very anti-Communist".

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APPLICANT AND WIFE REPORTED TO BE

INTIMATE FRIENDS OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA MISS.

*Mrs. Mrs. /*

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*W. J. ...*  
advised Mr. and Mrs. HUUS  
friends of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS; however,  
she did not feel the relationship reflected  
adversely on their loyalty since many people  
have been fooled by the HISSSES. During inter-  
view in February, 1949, Mrs. CLARA HUUS admitted  
being friendly with Mrs. HISS and having invited  
Mrs. HISS to stay at her home in Georgetown if  
she should ever come to Washington to attend

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stated Mr. and Mrs. HUUS had been intimate friends of the HISSES, who formerly lived in the neighborhood. [REDACTED] further advised, however, that she did not feel the above friendship reflected in any way upon Mr. and Mrs. HUUS' loyalty inasmuch as many people who were friends of the HISSES had been fooled by them.

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[REDACTED]

During an investigation by this office in February, 1949, Special Agent [REDACTED] interviewed Mrs. CLARA HUUS, at which time Mrs. HUUS advised "she is considered a friend of Mrs. HISS, and when the publicity in this matter broke in the papers she wrote PRISCILLA HISS inviting her to stay at her home in Georgetown if she, Mrs. HISS, should ever come to Washington to attend any Congressional hearings, etc."

On January 21, 1950, ALGER HISS was convicted of Perjury as a result of his testimony before a New York Grand Jury in which he denied having furnished confidential documents, which he had obtained through the course of official business at the Department of State, to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, an admitted former member of the Communist Party, to be used in a Soviet Espionage Conspiracy; and secondly, he denied having seen WHITTAKER CHAMBERS after January 1, 1937.

On January 25, 1950, ALGER HISS was sentenced to five years' imprisonment on each of the two counts in the indictment, the sentences to run concurrently. On January 25, 1950, HISS was released on \$10,000.00 bail bond pending appeal of the conviction.

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The information appearing in the section of this report entitled NEIGHBORHOODS setting forth the interview with Mr. and Mrs. HUUS by Special Agents [REDACTED] was obtained from the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] at Washington, D. C., dated January 28, 1949, entitled JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ALGER HISS; Character: Perjury - Internal Security - R, Espionage - R. WFO file #74-94-944.

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"TOLSON and his wife were listed to be  
good friends of ALGER HISS

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II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY

A. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

During interviews in the New York Office during January, February and March, 1949, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a self-confessed former Soviet espionage agent, advised SA THOMAS G. SPENCER and SA FRANCIS X. PLANT that HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR. was a member of the original Communist underground apparatus, operated by HAROLD WARE in Washington, D. C. in the 1930's.

CHAMBERS advised that this apparatus was made up of CHARLES KRAMER, VICTOR PERLO, LEE PRESSMAN, NATHAN WITT, ALGER HISS, DONALD HISS and the subject. CHAMBERS stated that each of these individuals had his own separate Communist cell consisting of from ten to twenty persons who were employed in various government agencies in Washington, D. C. CHAMBERS stated that the principal meeting place of the apparatus was in the apartment of the subject and that the subject was the treasurer of the apparatus. CHAMBERS stated that at that time (in the 1930's) the above individuals were not abstracting documents from the various government agencies wherein they were employed, but were placed so that their services might be used in the event an opportunity arose. CHAMBERS stated that members of the apparatus in Washington were not supposed to have Communist literature in their homes and that the "Daily Worker" was picked up in Washington in several drugstores. It was CHAMBERS' recollection that either the subject or ALGER HISS would make these pick-ups.

CHAMBERS advised that shortly after he had introduced ALGER HISS to Colonel BORIS BYKOV, in the Spring of 1937, he also introduced the subject to BYKOV. The meeting between CHAMBERS, BYKOV and the subject took place

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He stated that since the recent publicity of CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS, particularly before the House Un-American Activities Committee, he had come to the definite impression that he saw a person probably identical with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in Washington, D. C. in the middle 1930's.

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T-10 met ALGER HISS through an introduction by COLLINS in Washington, D. C. in 1940. T-10 said COLLINS frequently visited ALGER HISS at his home in the Georgetown section of Washington, D. C. COLLINS stated to T-10 that ALGER HISS was a "vitally important person" to the Communist Party.

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## PERJURY

Perjury Before Grand Jury. United States v. Alger Hiss, Southern District of New York. On January 21, 1950, the defendant was found guilty of perjury in the District Court for the Southern District of New York. In a two-count indictment it was charged that on December 15, 1949, he testified falsely before a grand jury which was conducting an investigation into possible violation of the espionage laws of the United States and any other federal criminal statutes. The first trial beginning on May 31, 1949, ended in a disagreement of

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the jury and a mistrial was declared on July 8, 1949. The retrial began on November 17, 1949. Hiss was sentenced to imprisonment for five years. He has filed notice of appeal and is free on \$10,000 bond. This case for a number of reasons has been of unusual interest and has commanded nation-wide attention. It is believed to be the first federal criminal proceeding in which psychiatric testimony was admitted for the purpose of impeaching a prosecution witness whose credibility was one of the principal issues.

The case was prosecuted by Thomas F. Murphy, Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Thomas E. Donegan, Special Assistant to the Attorney General and Assistant United States Attorney Clarke S. Ryan.

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Confidential informant Washington T-5, of known reliability, advised during 1946 that ALGER HISS was acquainted with HUBERT BARTON but the informant was not aware of the extent of this relationship.

ALGER HISS has been convicted for perjury on charges made by JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a self-admitted former Soviet Espionage Agent, to the effect that ALGER HISS had furnished CHAMBERS with confidential and secret documents from the files of the State Department, where HISS was then employed.

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advised that he did not actually know if the employee had been associated with the same agency in Washington, D. C. as that of ALGER HISS, however, stated that in about 1936 he was at a luncheon in Washington at which PRISIN-ZANC introduced him to a man who was with the Nye Committee, a committee to investigate the Munitions Industry, whose name he could not now recall. [REDACTED] stated he later was informed that this individual was with the Nye Committee and that PRISIN-ZANC might get a job with the same committee.

He stated he never knew whether PRISIN-ZANC actually got the job. [REDACTED] advised it was his understanding that ALGER HISS had been Chief Counsel for the Nye Committee, but that he had no knowledge of any specific association of the employee with ALGER HISS.

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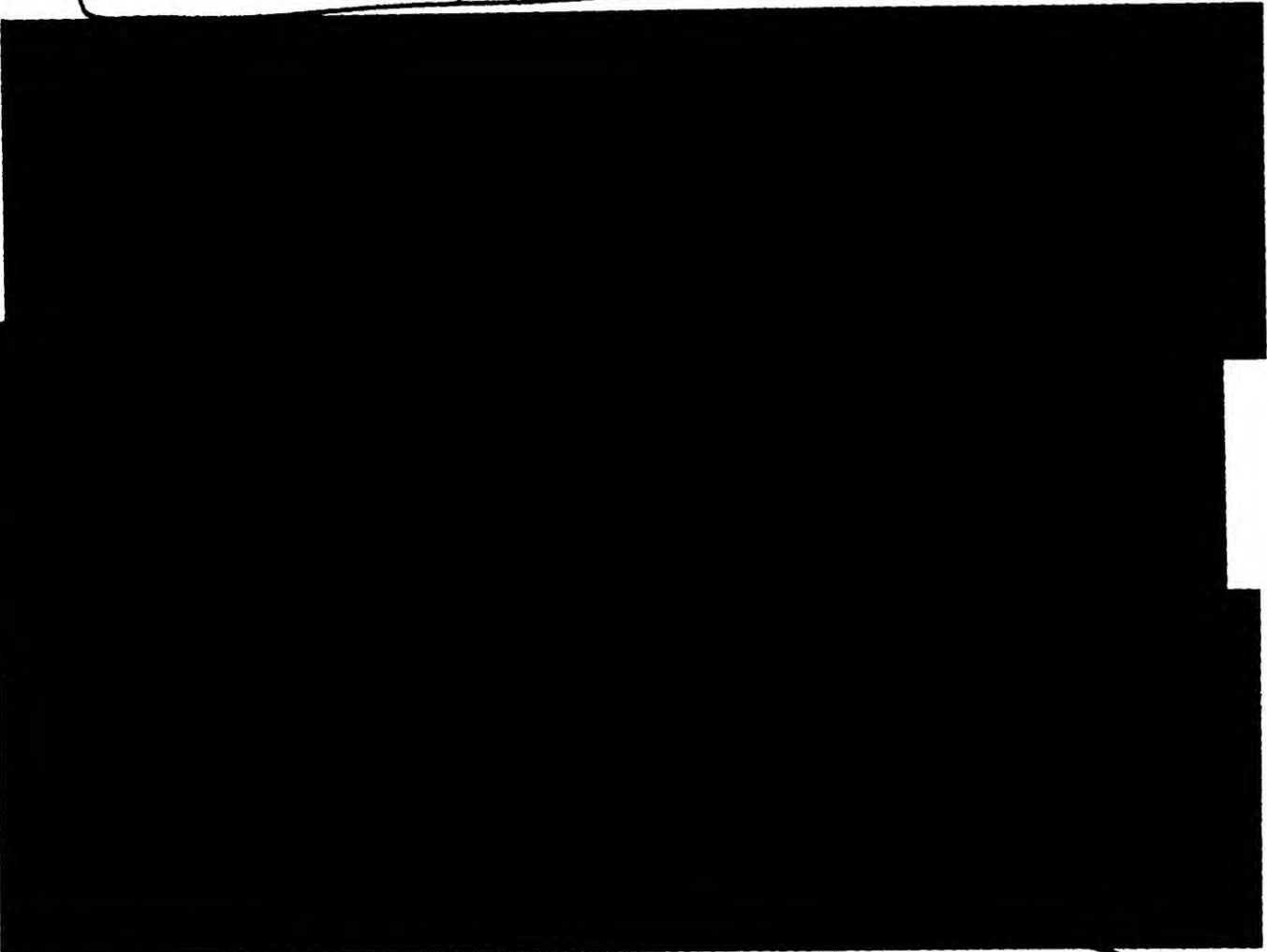
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[REDACTED] The Report of Special Agent  
FREDERICK M. CONNORS, dated February 4, 1949 at Boston  
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R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R," reflects that [REDACTED] was interviewed

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*fel* by Agent CONNORS at which time he admitted that he had visited at the home of ALGER HISS on two or three occasions and that HISS had visited him at his home on two or three occasions.

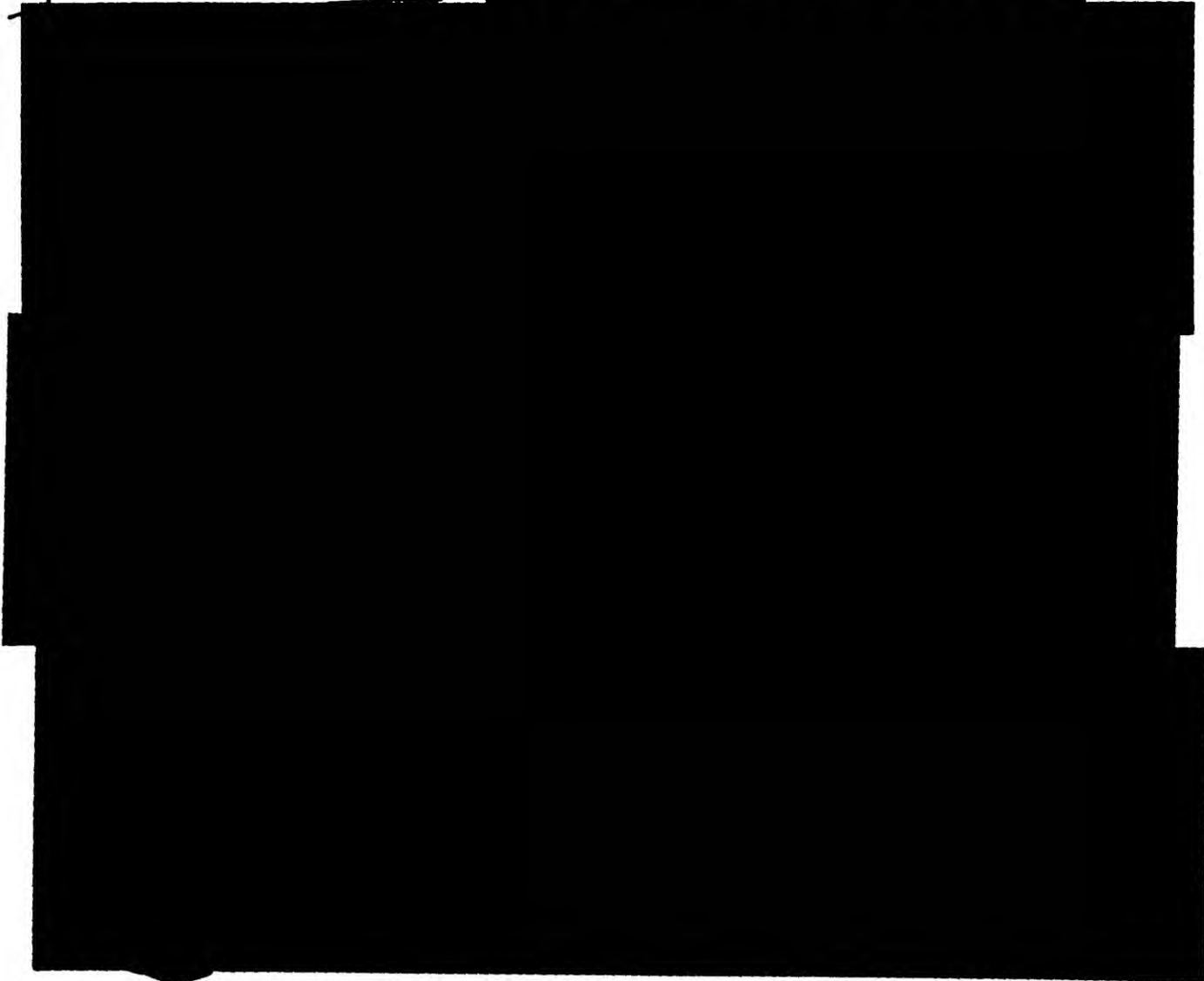


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le and associates of ALGER HISS, learned that HAROLD W. STEIN, during 1945 and 1946 was frequently in touch with ALGER HISS and that on at least one occasion STEIN visited the HISS residence.



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WEYL stated that at the time he became associated with the underground Communist group, headed by HAROLD WARE, the membership consisted of seven individuals in addition to HAROLD WARE; namely: LEE PRESSMAN, ALGER HISS, JOHN ABT, NATHAN WITT, HENRY COLLINS, JOHN DONOVAN and VICTOR PERLO. Shortly after WEYL joined the Communist group, CHARLES KRAMER, whom WEYL stated he knew as CHARLES KRIVITSKY, became attached to this group. HISS, ABT, PRESSMAN, WITT, KRAMER and WEYL were all employed by the Agricultural Adjustment Administration



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WEYL stated that his recollection was that LEE PRESSMAN was present at about ninety percent of the meetings he attended, and that he has a fairly clear recollection of ALGER HISS and LEE PRESSMAN being present together at some of these meetings. WEYL stated that no false or party names were used by the individuals at these meetings and all members were well acquainted with each other, most of the group being employed together at the Department of Agriculture. WEYL stated it was impossible that anyone could have attended these meetings during this period when he was a member without being known to each of the other members.

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ALGER HISS

WEYL stated that he met ALGER HISS at the meetings of the WARE group and his knowledge of the activities of ALGER HISS was confined to the activities of that group. ALGER HISS at the time of WARE's affiliation with this group was an employee of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration but WEYL was not employed in the same section. In his discussion with ALGER HISS, he found him to be intelligent, well informed and very sure of himself upon all occasions. He also stated that HISS was very quiet and slow though sound in making up his mind. He thought he was possibly less brilliant than men like ABT and PRESSMAN and did not think HISS an original thinker. He expressed the opinion that in view of HISS' recent defense that he had determined to remain a Communist and would not furnish any information if interviewed. WEYL stated he did not know HISS' wife at all.

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He thought that PRESSMAN had been a sincere Communist  
but not nearly so devoted as ALGER HISS.

WEYL stated he had no knowledge when or where LEE PRESSMAN  
joined the Party nor did he have any information concerning whether PRESSMAN  
had aided ALGER HISS in securing employment at the Agriculture Department or  
elsewhere.

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# EAST SIDE. WEST SIDE

## Conniff Examines Miss Kenyon's Testimony

By FRANK CONNIFF

**A**LTHOUGH Dorothy Kenyon stoutly denied being affiliated with Communist front groups while appearing last week before a Senate sub-committee, examination of her testimony discloses that even today she closely follows the party line on at least one major facet of Communist propaganda in America.

It may be only a coincidence that Miss Kenyon's attitude toward the Alger Hiss conviction is virtually the same as that of the Daily Worker. This is not to say that Miss Kenyon is a Communist; but it is one more indication that so-called "liberals" of a certain sympathy time and again seem to reflect the ideological viewpoint being hawked by Mr. Stalin's gauleiters in this country.

Miss Kenyon received the kid glove treatment from Democratic members of the committee who, though specifically directed to probe the Red infiltration of the State Department, appear more interested in coddling and protecting persons whose background at least gives rise to serious doubts about their past political judgments.

Miss Kenyon's name has been connected with some 28 fronts branded as subversive agencies, but at no point did either Sen. Tydings or Sen. McMahon question her very closely on these affiliations.

But let us get to Miss Kenyon's

rather strange attitude toward the Hiss conviction. Although a jury of Americans here in New York found him guilty in effect of being a Communist spy, Miss Kenyon called him a "sacrifice to hysteria" and asserted that he could not get a fair trial in a speech at Troy, N. Y., last Jan. 16.

She was questioned about this statement last week before the Senate sub-committee and I reprint the exchange between her and Sen. Hickenlooper.

"Are you correctly quoted," asked the Republican Senator, "as stating that 'Alger Hiss is a perfect example of sacrifice to the hysteria created by the Un-American Activities Committee?'"

"Are you correctly quoted," the Senator continued, "as saying that 'not one shred of evidence was introduced that Hiss did what he is said to have done?'"

"Are you correctly quoted," Sen. Hickenlooper went on, "as saying, in reference to Hiss, 'He will be lucky to get a hung jury at his second trial?'"

The record shows that Sen. Hickenlooper passed the newspaper containing these remarks over to Miss Kenyon. The witness examined the clipping and declared:

"The words are substantially mine. I recall that I said Hiss would be lucky to get a hung jury in the opinion of a number of lawyers.

"I recall that I said it would be impossible for Hiss to get a fair trial in the present temper of the country and that there was not a shred of direct evidence other than that of Whit-taker Chambers or documents produced by Chambers.

"I have no objection to the clipping being entered in the record."

Miss Kenyon's brash endorsement of her own remarks may have been encouraged by the friendliness of the Democratic members of the committee. Her lack of faith in the honesty and integrity of her fellow Americans—as evidenced by her statement that poor, dear Alger could not get a fair trial from them—brought no questioning from Sen. McMahon or Sen. Tydings.

Miss Kenyon was thus allowed to propagandize a vicious attack on the American judiciary and jury system without a single objection from the Democratic members.

Sen. McMahon's indifferent reaction to Miss Kenyon's espousal of Alger Hiss' cause amazed me. I come from Connecticut myself and I find it hard to believe that the voters who sent him to Washington expect Sen. McMahon to be overly solicitous about any apologist for Alger Hiss. I'll have to ask some of my old friends and schoolmates about this next time I go home.

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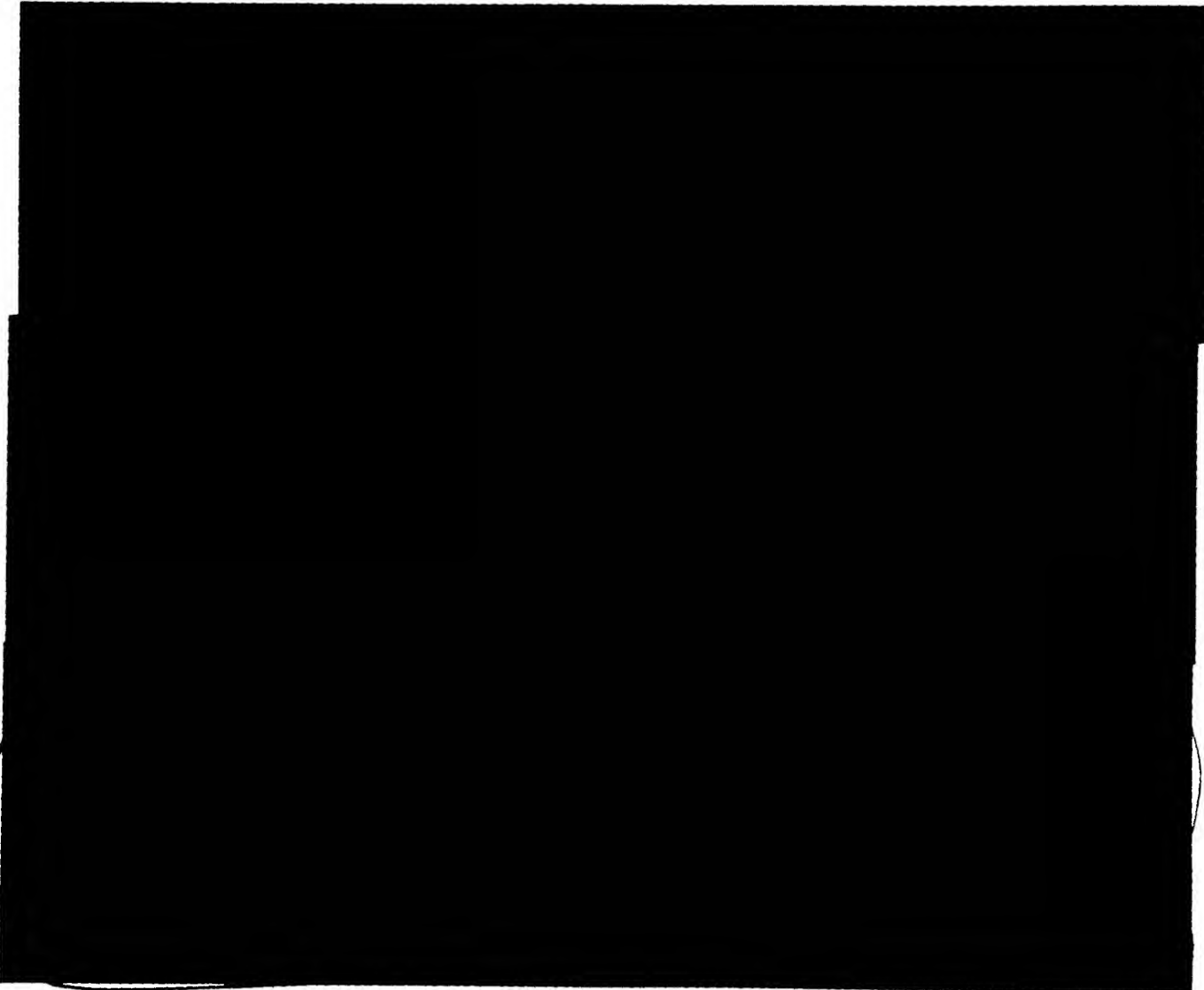
WINCHELL:

Senator McCarran will release today documentary proof that Alger Hiss was the man who recruited personnel for the U.S. mission to the UN... This is the one the State Department now admits is loaded with Communists.

Memo from Belmont to Ladd

COMMENTS:

"The New York Times" and "The Washington Post," on January 5, 1953, reported that Senator McCarran had stated that Alger Hiss, as head of the Office of Special Political Affairs, "had initial control over selection of employees to the U.S. delegation to the United Nations." McCarran's statement was based on then Secretary of State James Byrnes' letter to Senator Mundt (Rep., South Dakota) dated April 1, 1946.



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The letter from EDWARD C. ~~CARTER~~ to ALGER ~~HISS~~ mentioned in San Francisco tel, 8/19/52 was reviewed. The same did not indicate the nature or extent of the association with HISS ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

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expressed emphatically his theories on the tremendous influence of Communists and Communist sympathizers in directing or affecting policy decisions in this government from behind the scenes. He particularly mentioned the activities of WHITE, PASVOLSKY, HISS, CURRIE, and FRANK COE in this connection. He advised that in addition to his theories, and supplementing them, his students have been doing research work on records and documents and the results support his theories. He stated that he is writing a novel in which he will outline the Communist Party influence.

During this interview he also related two anecdotes concerning personal experiences with ALGER HISS during the period immediately preceding the war where he felt HISS was influencing government officials. These anecdotes have been reported by letter in the JAHAM case.

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██████████ WILLIAM HERBERT ROSEN, subject of Washington Field Office File ██████████ was questioned by the House Committee on Un-American Activities to determine if he was identical with a WILLIAM ROSEN who is the purchaser of a 1929 car registered to ALGER HISS. ROSEN refused to answer pertinent questions put to him by the Committee and faces a possible contempt citation.

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Subject's life Committee employment simultaneous with that of  
ALVIN KISS and in 1936 subject listed KISS as reference on appli-  
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ALGER HISS

In the application for government employment made by the subject and dated April 13, 1936, she listed as a reference, ALGER HISS at that time Assistant to the Solicitor General, U. S. Department of Justice.

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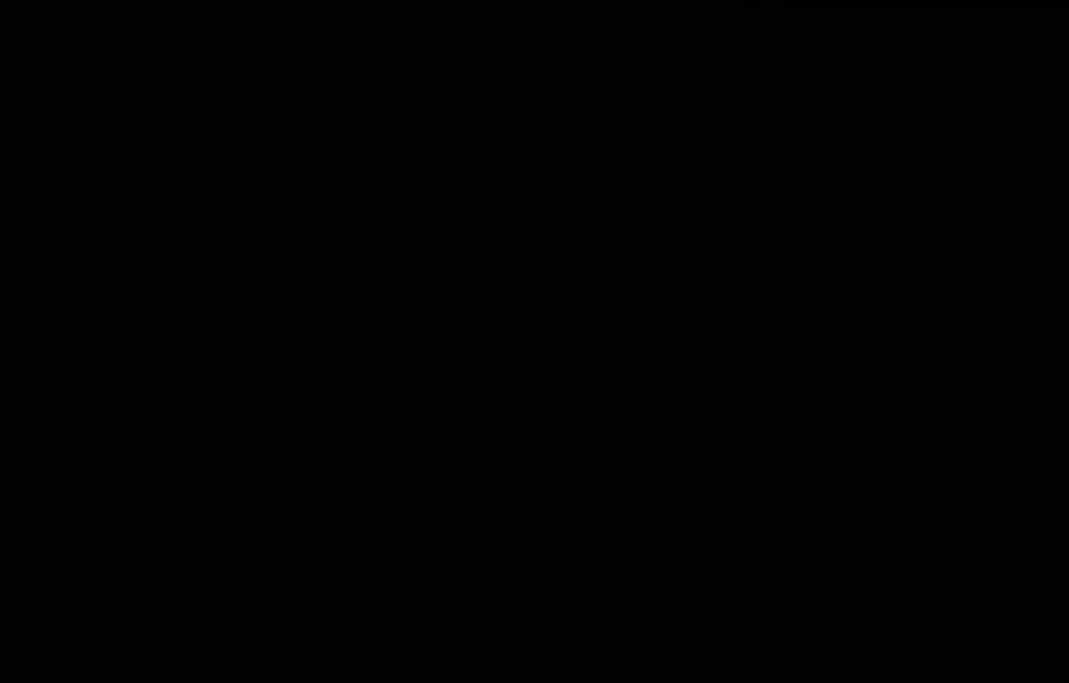
H. H. was recently convicted in the U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York of perjury, drawing from his involvement in Soviet espionage with JAY DAVID WITTAKER CHAMBERS. ALGER HISS was employed by the Hqs Committee at the same time as was the subject, according to Hqs Committee records and STEPHEN WATSON BEECHER.

Confidential Informant T-8, a reliable informant, has advised that the subject maintains within easy access, a booklet entitled, "Indus-  
trial Mobilization Plan - Revised 1946," a government publication which was jointly approved by the then Acting Secretary of War and Secretary of Navy. At the title page of this booklet has been written the pencilled notation "HIS - State 3232" HIS SOURCE A. LINCOLN, the former Secretary of Defense at the State Department, has advised that State Department directories show that in January and August 1939, and for a period thereafter, the telephone extension for ALGER HISS at the State Department was 3232.

Confidential Informant T-7, a reliable informant, has advised that the subject tried to convince ALGER HISS, the project indicated that she could reasonably believe him to be guilty as charged, but as far as was then developed, the subject at this time made the remark that HISS may have been a Communist in 1934, or 1936, or thereabouts.

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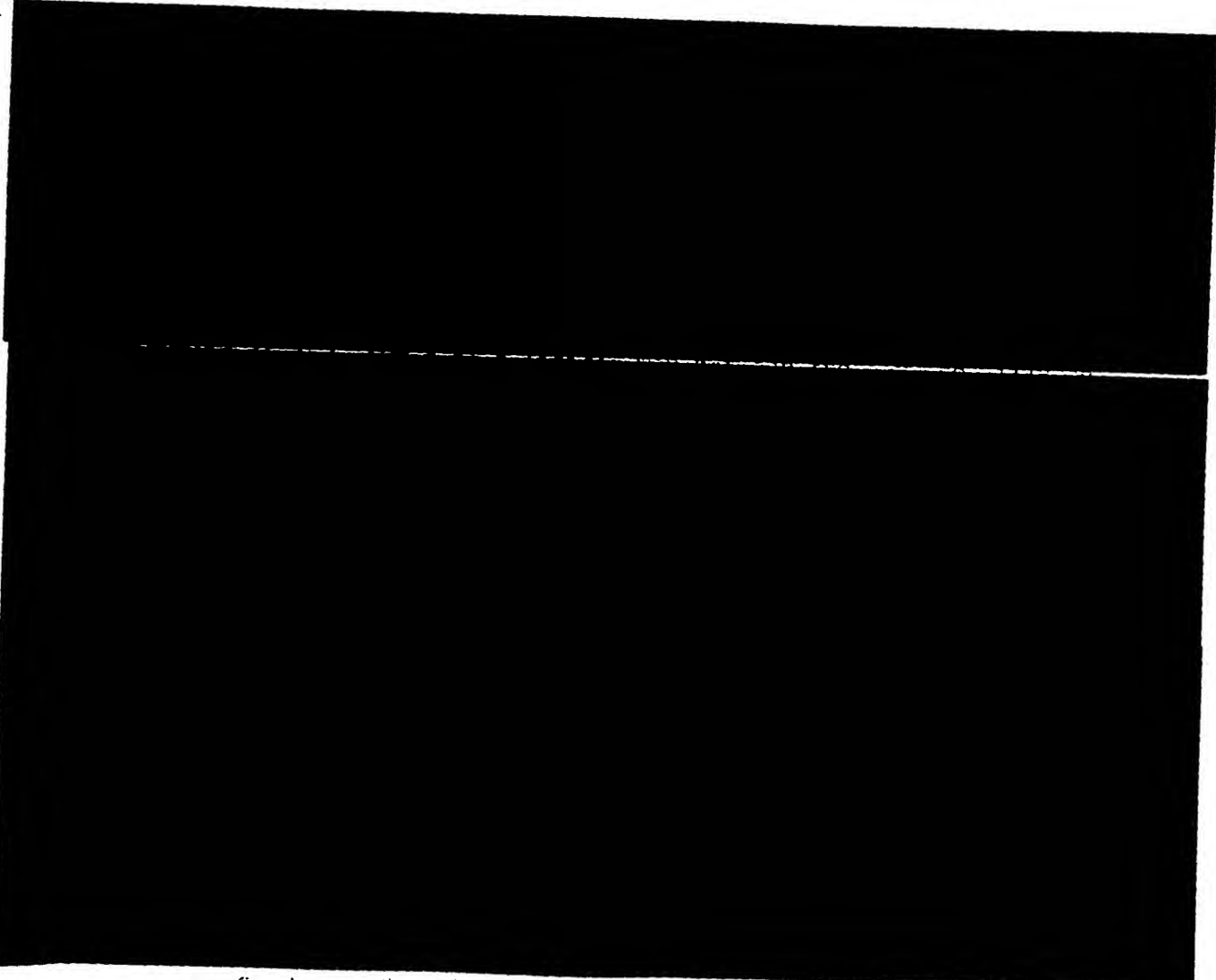
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# Acheson, With Berle's Help, Clears Hiss Hurdle in Senate

By OLIVER PILAT

Post Home News Correspondent

Washington, Jan. 13—Dean Acheson, with the surprise assistance of Adolph A. Berle Jr. today demolished what appeared to be the main senate objections to his appointment as Secretary of State.

Appearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Acheson, in the clipped accents of Groton, Yale and the Harvard Law School, said:

1. Alger Hiss "was not my assistant, never was my assistant, and except for a short period when I was acting secretary, never reported to me."

2. He "never had" the controversy with Berle over "pro Soviet policies" which Berle, former Assistant Secretary of State, had described as having occurred in 1944 and which Berle had said "ended my diplomatic career."

Approved Suspended Loan

3. He approved a loan to Poland at a time when relations between that country and the U.S. were good, but suspended it when Poland failed to fulfill the terms to his satisfaction.

4. He wasn't connected with his former law firm at a time when it represented Poland, for a fee which, he said, was \$50,175, not \$1,000,000, as had been reported. He got none of the fee himself.

5. He will leave "no step untaken" to keep subversive influences out of the State Dept. If he becomes Secretary, and will retain John Peurifoy, Assistant Secretary, who is "cleaning up all of the remnants of Communist cells still there."

6. He will, if confirmed, do his best to carry out the example of retiring Secretary Marshall. Asked specifically by Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich.), ranking Republican on the committee, about his present views on Russia, Acheson said "the determination of foreign policy is a matter for the President. The President has stated in a most categorical manner that he does not change."

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to Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) urging Acheson's quick confirmation so that there would be no further differences were dismissed by Berle as honest disagreements between two patriotic Americans. Acheson, in his testimony, had taken sharp issue with Berle's testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee, which Berle had told:

"In the fall of 1944 there was a difference of opinion (on Soviet policy) in the State Dept. I was pressing for a clean-cut showdown then when our position was strongest. The opposite group... was... Mr. Acheson's group, of course, with Mr. Hiss as his principal assistant in the matter. I got trimmed in that fight. And that ended my diplomatic career."

Led Astray by Memory

"Mr. Berle's memory led him badly astray," Acheson said.

He noted that Alger Hiss had been assigned to the Dumbarton Oaks Conference in May, 1944, and his brother Donald had taken a leave of absence, so that neither Hiss was associated with him at that time.

"I do not wish to detract from Alger Hiss in any way," he said, in explaining that Alger had never been close to him. "We have been friends and we remain friends." Donald, he said, had been his State Dept. assistant and had served with "complete fidelity."

"He is now my law partner," he

said, emphasizing his confidence in Donald Hiss.

Former Secretary of State Stettinius, testifying for Acheson, said:

"He is uniquely qualified for this post from the standpoint of natural endowment, age, temperament and capacity and his intimacy and familiarity with foreign affairs."

After the hearing, Connally predicted that the committee would vote for confirmation tomorrow.

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WILLIAM ROSEN signature on the questioned document. The Laboratory further reported that the known handwriting of BENJAMIN BIALEK is not sufficiently comparable with the questioned writing for a definite conclusion to be reached. Concerning the photographic copy of the Certificate of Title, the FBI Laboratory advised that it desired the original Certificate before it could give its opinion as to whether the signature of ALGER HISS was genuine. The Title concerned the transfer of a 1929 Ford Roadster, Motor Number A2188811 which had previously been registered in the name of ALGER HISS, 3411 O Street, N.W. This car was assigned to the Cherner Motor Company on July 23, 1936, and on that day purchased from the Cherner Motor Company by WILLIAM ROSEN, 5405 13th Street, N.W.

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# Red Spy Stole Atomic Secrets While FBI Action Was Blocked

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BENTLEY determined from KRAMER that the person who had originally taken GLASSER away from the Perlo group was an individual named HISS in the United States State Department, which individual is believed to be ALGER HISS.

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ALLEGATIONS OF JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

On December 31, 1948, in the course of an interview of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by Mr. RAY WHEARTY, of the Department of Justice, and Special Agent MAURICE A. TAYLOR, in the office of Mr. WHEARTY, CHAMBERS was questioned briefly about HAROLD GLASSER. He stated that he met GLASSER on two or three occasions and that these meetings had been arranged by J. PETERS, who informed him that GLASSER was a Party member and could be trusted. The purpose of these meetings was to make inquiry of GLASSER concerning HARRY DEXTER WHITE who as indicated elsewhere, was considered very valuable however irascible and difficult to handle. CHAMBERS' recollection was that GLASSER affirmed their knowledge of WHITE indicating that WHITE had never been a Communist Party member but had complete sympathy for the Communist Party and its objective and cooperated fully. CHAMBERS stated that GLASSER had not been part of his apparatus and he had no knowledge of his underground activities. He also stated that he was not aware that GLASSER was furnishing ALGER HISS with any information but understood GLASSER was a member of an underground cell. This is somewhat at variance with information furnished by ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY to the effect that GLASSER had been stolen from the PERLO group by ALGER HISS.

In this connection, CHAMBERS has described himself as a former member of the Communist Party who was engaged in procuring confidential information to be furnished to the Russian Government.

On June 2, 1947, ALGER HISS denied to Special Agents CHARLES CLEVELAND and EDWARD L. GRAPPP, when interviewed at his office 700 Jackson Place, Northwest, that he ever placed GLASSER in touch with a representative of the Russian Government in order that he, GLASSER, might furnish government information to this unauthorized individual. He stated that he met GLASSER in an official capacity when GLASSER was an official of the U. S. Treasury Department.

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"I first met ALGER HISS in an interdepartmental committee meeting on the Philippine Islands Independence Act of 1938. I do not know ALGER HISS at all socially and had very little contact with him at any time. I am, however, much better acquainted with his brother DONALD HISS, who for sometime at the State Department handled Inter-



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national Loans and Affairs, which prompted him to have numerous contacts with me at the Treasury Department. As a matter of fact I have never been socially acquainted with either ALGER or DONALD HISS. I do recall meeting ALGER HISS on a streetcar in 1945, and on another occasion I met him and his wife and child while walking along the Canal. I last saw him at the Wardman Park Hotel in September, 1946.

"I would never have been in a position to furnish ALGER HISS or DONALD HISS any official information with regard to Treasury Department international loans inasmuch as all of the international policy actually emanated from the Department of State itself. As a matter of fact, DONALD HISS through his official capacity would be in a position to obtain first hand knowledge of any information that I might develop through my official capacity in the Treasury Department regarding international loans.

ALGER HISS was never involved in any of the above confidential Treasury Department work, and I was never engaged in any discussion with him concerning this work.

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# Acheson, With Berle's Help, Clears Hiss Hurdle in Senate

By OLIVER PILAT

Post Home News Correspondent

Washington, Jan. 13—Dean Acheson, with the surprise assistance of Adolph A. Berle Jr. today demolished what appeared to be the main senate objections to his appointment as Secretary of State.

Appearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Acheson, in the clipped accents of Groton, Yale and the Harvard Law School, said:

1. Alger Hiss "was not my assistant, never was my assistant, and except for a short period when I was acting secretary, never reported to me."

2. He "never had" the controversy with Berle over "pro-Soviet policies" which Berle, former Assistant Secretary of State, had described as having occurred in 1944 and which Berle had said "ended my diplomatic career."

**Approved Suspended Loan**

3. He approved a loan to Poland at a time when relations between that country and the U.S. were good, but suspended it when Poland failed to fulfill the terms to his satisfaction.

4. He wasn't connected with his former law firm at a time when it represented Poland, for a fee which, he said, was \$50,175, not \$1,000,000, as had been reported. He got none of the fee himself.

5. He will leave "no step untaken" to keep subversive influences out of the State Dept. if he becomes Secretary, and will retain John Peurifoy, Assistant Secretary, who is "cleaning up all of the remnants of Communist cells still there."

6. He will, if confirmed, do his best to carry out the example of retiring Secretary Marshall. Asked specifically by Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich.), ranking Republican on the committee, about his present views on Russia, Acheson said "the determination of foreign policy is a matter for the President. The President has stated in a most categorical manner that he does not change."

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to Chairman Connally (D-Tex.) urging Acheson's quick confirmation so that there would be no further delays were dismissed by Berle as honest disagreements between two patriotic Americans.

Acheson, in his testimony, had taken sharp issue with Berle's testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee, which Berle had told:

"In the fall of 1944 there was a difference of opinion (on Soviet policy) in the State Dept. I was pressing for a cleaner showdown then when our position was strongest. The opposite group... was... Mr. Acheson's group, of course, with Mr. Hiss as his principal assistant in the matter. I got trimmed in that fight. And that ended my diplomatic career."

**Led Astray by Memory**

"Mr. Berle's memory led him badly astray," Acheson said.

He noted that Alger Hiss had been assigned to the Dumbarton Oaks Conference in May, 1944, and his brother Donald had taken a leave of absence, so that neither Hiss was associated with him at that time.

"I do not wish to detract from Alger Hiss in any way," he said, in explaining that Alger had never been close to him. "We have been friends and we remain friends." Donald, he said, had been his State Dept. assistant and had served with "complete fidelity."

"He is now my law partner," he

said, emphasizing his confidence in Donald Hiss.

Former Secretary of State Stettinius, testifying for Acheson, said:

"He is uniquely qualified for this post from the standpoint of natural endowment, age, temperament and capacity and his intimacy and familiarity with foreign affairs."

After the hearing, Connally predicted that the committee would vote for confirmation tomorrow.

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In 1936 one BENJAMIN BIALEK resided at 5405 13th Street, N.W. BENJAMIN BIALEK is the co-proprietor of the Potworth Pharmacy and is co-proprietor of the Security Liquor Store at 3313 Georgia Avenue, N.W. BIALEK was too sick to be questioned by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. WILLIAM ROSEN was questioned under oath but refused to answer any pertinent question regarding this car. The substance of his testimony has previously been reported in a report dated September 29, 1948.

The known handwriting specimens of WILLIAM ROSEN were obtained and forwarded to the Bureau. The known handwriting specimens consisting of signatures of BENJAMIN BIALEK were obtained and forwarded to the Bureau. A photographic copy of the Certificate of Title bearing the name WILLIAM ROSEN was also obtained and forwarded to the Bureau. A photographic copy of the Certificate of Title was obtained bearing the purported signature of ALGER HISS. This was further forwarded to the Bureau.

By letter dated February 10, 1949, the FBI Laboratory reported that the known handwriting of WILLIAM ROSEN had been compared with the questioned writing namely the Certificate of Title but a definite conclusion could not be reached inasmuch as there are certain letters in the known writing of ROSEN that vary in style from similar letters appearing in the questioned writing. There were certain handwriting characteristics noted in the known handwriting of ROSEN that do not appear in the



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WILLIAM ROSEN signature on the questioned document. The Laboratory further reported that the known handwriting of BENJAMIN BIALEK is not sufficiently comparable with the questioned writing for a definite conclusion to be reached. Concerning the photographic copy of the Certificate of Title, the FBI Laboratory advised that it desired the original Certificate before it could give its opinion as to whether the signature of ALGER HISS was genuine. The Title concerned the transfer of a 1929 Ford Roadster, Motor Number A2188811 which had previously been registered in the name of ALGER HISS, 3411 O Street, N.W. This car was assigned to the Chermer Motor Company on July 23, 1936, and on that day purchased from the Chermer Motor Company by WILLIAM ROSEN, 5405 13th Street, N.W.

On February 9, 1941 Mr. HENRY J. GERTLER, an official of the Chermer Motor Company, was interviewed and admitted that his signature appeared on the Assignment of Title in question. Mr. GERTLER stated he had no present recollection of this transaction, and that there are presently no records of the Chermer Motor Company in which this transaction was reflected. Mr. GERTLER stated that several months ago at the request of the House Committee on Un-American Activities he went to the officials of the Chermer Motor Company and conducted a two day exhaustive search for old records, and the only records found were some sales slips immediately preceding and immediately following July 23, 1936. He did not know whether these records were all inclusive as the records in question were "rat infested" and were in a very deteriorating state. These sales slips are presently in the possession of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

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On page 1113 of the transcript of the hearings before the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Mr. LOUIS RUESELL, the investigator, testified that no sales invoice was found for this particular transaction and that there were no sales invoices missing, indicating that no sales invoice for the sale of this car to Mr. ROSEN was made out by the Chermer Motor Company. Regarding this testimony, Mr. GERTLER advised that he had no explanation for it except there is a possibility that the sale in question from HISS to the Chermer Motor Company might have involved the sale of a car for its used parts in which case no sales invoice slip would be involved, but instead a parts invoice slip would be made out.

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Mr. SAMUEL MENSCH, Vice President of the Cherner Motor Company, advised that it was his signature on the Assignment of Title which he signed as an official of the Cherner Motor Company. Mr. MENSCH stated that he has no recollection of the transaction, and that there is presently no existing record of the transaction at the Cherner Motor Company.

The transcript of the record before the House Committee on Un-American Activities further shows that Mr. W. MARVIN SMITH who notarized the document in question was questioned by the House Committee on Un-American Activities and testified that he notarized a signature of Mr. HISS and that Mr. HISS actually appeared before him to have his signature notarized.

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Will determine if he is identical with the WILLIAM ROSEN  
who purchased ALBERT REISS' car from the Cherner Motor Company  
on July 25, 1936.

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When recently interviewed, Mr. WEYL observed to the Interviewing Agents that he was considerably concerned about an item appearing in the Washington "Post" on October 23, 1950. The following comment appeared in WALTER WINCHELL's column: "The FBI has a new witness to confront ALGER HISS."

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# Red Spy Stole Atomic Secrets While FBI Action Was Blocked

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Harry Ernest Herley.  
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"While in the U.S.D.A. from 1934 to about 1937, I was assigned to the General Counsel's Office of the AAA, as a Junior Clerk. This office was headed by JEROME FRANK and included such persons as LEE PRESSMAN, JOHN ABT, ALGER HISS, and others associated with communist activities. In my opinion, this office was at least 60% pro-communist.

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"I was a messenger in the General Counsel's Office, AAA, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. from 1934 to 1937. Of necessity, I was associated with such persons as ALGER HISS and LEE PRESSMAN, who were later accused of Communist association. This office, in my opinion, was substantially communist in make-up, especially in the legislative liason section thereof.

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BENTLEY determined from KRAMER that the person who had originally taken GLASSER away from the Perlo group was an individual named HISS in the United States State Department, which individual is believed to be ALGER HISS.

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ALLEGATIONS OF JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

On December 31, 1948, in the course of an interview of JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by Mr. RAY WHEARTY, of the Department of Justice, and Special Agent MAURICE A. TAYLOR, in the office of Mr. WHEARTY, CHAMBERS was questioned briefly about HAROLD GLASSER. He stated that he met GLASSER on two or three occasions and that these meetings had been arranged by J. PETERS, who informed him that GLASSER was a Party member and could be trusted. The purpose of these meetings was to make inquiry of GLASSER concerning HARRY DEXTER WHITE who as indicated elsewhere, was considered very valuable however irascible and difficult to handle. CHAMBERS' recollection was that GLASSER affirmed their knowledge of WHITE indicating that WHITE had never been a Communist Party member but had complete sympathy for the Communist Party and its objective and cooperated fully. CHAMBERS stated that GLASSER had not been part of his apparatus and he had no knowledge of his underground activities. He also stated that he was not aware that GLASSER was furnishing ALGER HISS with any information but understood GLASSER was a member of an underground cell. This is somewhat at variance with information furnished by ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY to the effect that GLASSER had been stolen from the PERLO group by ALGER HISS.

In this connection, CHAMBERS has described himself as a former member of the Communist Party who was engaged in procuring confidential information to be furnished to the Russian Government.

On June 2, 1947, ALGER HISS denied to Special Agents CHARLES CLEVELAND and EDWARD L. GRAFFP, when interviewed at his office 700 Jackson Place, Northwest, that he ever placed GLASSER in touch with a representative of the Russian Government in order that he, GLASSER, might furnish government information to this unauthorized individual. He stated that he met GLASSER in an official capacity when GLASSER was an official of the U. S. Treasury Department.

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I first met ALGER HISS in an interdepartmental committee meeting on the Philippine Islands Independence Act of 1933. I do not know ALGER HISS at all socially and had very little contact with him at any time. I am, however, much better acquainted with his brother DONALD HISS, who for sometime at the State Department handled Inter-

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national Loans and Affairs, which prompted him to have numerous contacts with me at the Treasury Department. As a matter of fact I have never been socially acquainted with either ALGER or DONALD HISS. I do recall meeting ALGER HISS on a streetcar in 1945, and on another occasion I met him and his wife and child while walking along the Canal. I last saw him at the Wardman Park Hotel in September, 1946.

"I would never have been in a position to furnish ALGER HISS or DONALD HISS any official information with regard to Treasury Department international loans inasmuch as all of the international policy actually emanated from the Department of State itself. As a matter of fact, DONALD HISS through his official capacity would be in a position to obtain first hand knowledge of any information that I might develop through my official capacity in the Treasury Department regarding international loans.

ALGER HISS was never involved in any of the above confidential Treasury Department work, and I was never engaged in any discussion with him concerning this work.

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Concerning ALGER HISS, JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, previously described, has described ALGER HISS as a former member of the Communist Party and in the late 1930s he furnished restricted and classified information to sources whom he knew to be Soviet principals and was aware that such information would eventually be furnished to the Soviet Government.

ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY also knew ALGER HISS to have been involved in a Soviet conspiracy in the late 1930s and early 1940s.

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BENTLEY has identified the following as members of the  
VICTOR PERLO Group and included in addition to GLASSER the following:

ALGER HISS, former State Department official  
recently convicted of perjury in New York City.

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# INVENTORY WORKSHEET

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It is noted both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that they had no information showing any possible association or acquaintance-ship between ELEANOR NELSON and ALGER HISS. RUC

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Applicant alleged  
to have worked closely with ALGER HISS. ALGER  
HISS documented.

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During the course of another investigation, Mr. EDWARD R. STETTINIUS, JR., former Secretary of State, was interviewed on January 14, 1949 and advised there were several individuals who had worked closely with ALGER HISS and would probably know the machinations behind HISS' movements and promotions. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was one of these individuals.

ALGER HISS, former employee of the State Department, was indicted December 15, 1948, by a Special Grand Jury, United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on two counts of perjury arising out of his testimony that he had not turned over State Department documents to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS (self-confessed Communist Party and espionage agent) and had had no contact with CHAMBERS subsequent to January 1, 1937. He was convicted on both counts on January 21, 1950 and was sentenced to five years imprisonment on January 25, 1950.

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WINCHELL SAID:

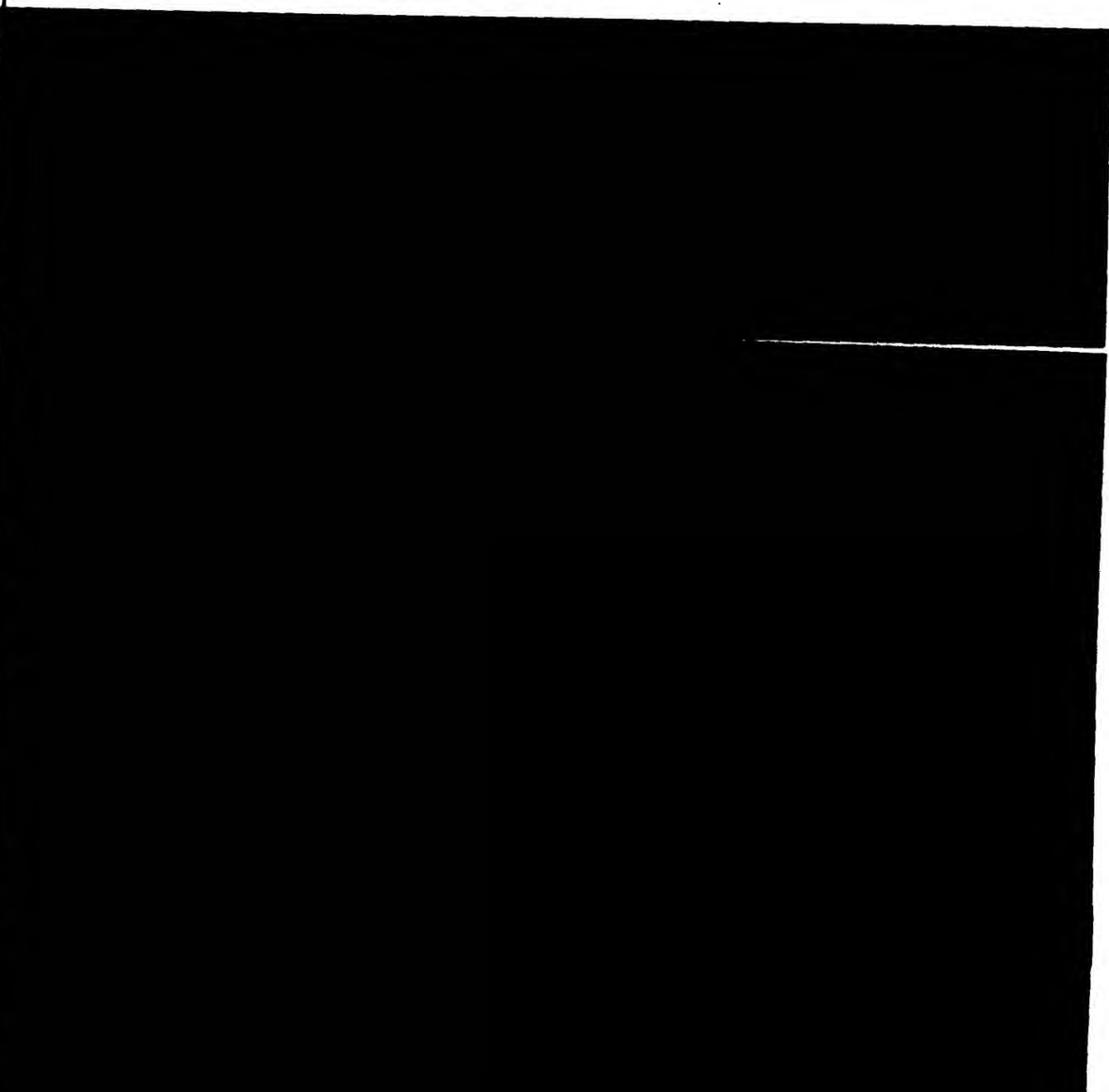
Alger Hiss will be discharged from prison during Thanksgiving weekend. He will remain on probation in this country

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for the rest of his five-year term. That's about sixteen months.  
A possibility<sup>5</sup> for the surprise filing of a brand new charge against  
Hiss directly after ~~two~~ <sup>NEW</sup> years ~~day~~ <sup>DAY</sup>.

COMMENT:

It is not known to what charge Winchell refers, however, to  
the Nathan Gregory Silvermaster Case is presently being held before  
Federal Grand Jury at Camden, New Jersey, and Washington, D. C.  
Hiss has previously been linked indirectly by Elizabeth Bentley  
to the Silvermaster espionage apparatus.



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: November 29,  
1954

Mr. A. H. Belmont

Tolson	✓
Boardman	✓
Nichols	✓
Belmont	✓
Harbo	✓
Mohr	✓
Parsons	✓
Rosen	✓
Tamm	✓
Sizoo	✓
Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holloman	✓
Gandy	✓

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL  
SIMULCAST (RADIO - TELEVISION)  
NOVEMBER 28, 1954

WINCHELL SAID:

Washington. The Velde Senate Committee will invite Alger Hiss to testify in return for immunity.

COMMENT:

Recent newspaper accounts have indicated both the Jenner Committee and the Velde Committee have been considering calling Hiss as reflected in the memorandum from F. L. Jones to Mr. Branigan dated November 23, 1954.



- Mr. Boardman
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Branigan
- Mr. Roach
- Mr. Mansfield

Pjm

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Regarding ALGER HISS, [REDACTED] has stated, 'HISS is being persecuted, and the charges are trumped or magnified completely out of real proportion.'

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██████ recalled that ██████ had mentioned to him the fact that he had testified before the Grand Jury in New York, he believes in connection with the case of ALGER HISS.

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In his letter, [REDACTED] made reference to an affidavit of the editor of a Chinese newspaper in which the editor named the [REDACTED] along with ALGER [REDACTED] etc., as being among the group that formulated the pro-Chinese Communist policy that took over, infiltrated, and gradually dominated the Far Eastern Division of the State Department.

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— said ~~PASKIN~~ is chairman and he certainly  
— is openminded; also on the board is ALGER and

— said that ALGER said  
— "Well, your whole trouble (ALLING's) arises out of the fact that you  
— had this colored fellow in your house back in 1935 down in Atlanta,  
— Georgia."

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thinks ALGER was the toughest and 7+155  
was the most sympathetic in his questioning.

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However, she stated she could not specifically recall whether or not she had met ALGER HISS, LEE PRESSMAN, NATHAN WITT, or JOHN ~~ST.~~ She offered the information that she may have met these individuals, but could not positively state so. Mrs. McAVOY advised that during the period of 1940 to 1941 when she was keeping company with COLLINS, she had no knowledge whatsoever that he had ever collected dues for Communist Party members or that he was engaged in any espionage activities with ALGER HISS or other individuals in Washington, D. C.

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On June 1, 1949, the Board again met and COLLINS reported back concerning the meeting between the Attorney General and the American Russian Institute officials; however, no decision was reached according to COLLINS. He also testified he has known ALGER HISS since 1918 and stated he met WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in the early 1930s under another name.

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Lists ~~ALGER~~ HISS as reference  
on application for government employment dated 4/13/36;

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As a reference on this application she listed ALGER HISS, at that time Assistant to the Solicitor General, U.S. Department of Justice. HISS then resided at 2905 P Street, NW. HISS was convicted of perjury in the United States District Court in the Southern District of New York in January, 1950. The perjury charge arose out of allegations that HISS had furnished information to an admitted Soviet Espionage Agent.

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In addition to listing ALGER HISS as a reference on the application  
dated April 14, 1936,

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